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**ĐỀ THI GỒM 80 QUESTIONS (TỪ QUESTION 1 ĐẾN QUESTION 80)**

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

**Question 1:** I have two sisters, \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. most of whom are nurses  
C. one of them are nurses

- B. most of them are nurses  
D. both of whom are nurses

**Question 2:** Switch off all the lights \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. until you enter the room  
C. by the time you enter the room

- B. before you leave the room  
D. after you will leave the room

**Question 3:** \_\_\_\_\_, the less polluted the environment will be.

- A. The fewer landfills we have  
C. The less landfills are polluted

- B. The more polluted landfills will be  
D. The more landfills are there

**Question 4:** It is believed \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. why is Alice such a talented ballet dancer  
B. when Alice to become a talented ballet dancer  
C. that Alice is a talented ballet dancer  
D. how is Alice a talented ballet dancer

**Question 5:** \_\_\_\_\_ that she does not want to stay any longer.

- A. A little homesick does Beth feel  
C. Homesick though Beth may feel

- B. Beth feels such homesick  
D. So homesick does Beth feel

*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 6 to 15.*

One of the factors contributing to the intense nature of twenty-first-century stress is our continual exposure to media – particularly to an overabundance of news. If you feel stressed out by the news, you are far from alone. Yet somehow many of us seem unable to prevent ourselves from tuning in to an extreme degree.

The further back we go in human history, the longer news took to travel from place to place, and the less news we had of distant people and lands altogether. The printing press obviously changed all that, as did every subsequent development in transportation and telecommunication.

When television came along, it proliferated like a population of rabbits. In 1950, there were 100,000 television sets in North American homes; one year later there were more than a million. Today, it's not unusual for a home to have three or more television sets, each with cable access to perhaps over a hundred channels. News is the subject of many of those channels, and on several of them it runs 24 hours a day.

What's more, after the traumatic events of September 11, 2001, live newscasts were paired with perennial text crawls across the bottom of the screen – so that viewers could stay abreast of every story all the time.

Needless to say, the news that is reported to us is not good news, but rather disturbing images and sound bytes alluding to disaster (natural and man-made), upheaval, crime, scandal, war, and the like.

Compounding the problem is that when actual breaking news is scarce, most broadcasts fill in with scare stories about things that possibly might threaten our health, safety, finances, relationships, waistline, hairline, or very existence in the future. This variety of story tends to treat with equal alarm a potentially lethal flu outbreak and the bogus claims of a wrinkle cream that overpromises smooth skin.

Are humans meant to be able to process so much trauma – not to mention so much overblown anticipation of potential trauma – at once? The human brain, remember, is programmed to slip into alarm mode when danger looms. Danger looms for someone, somewhere at every moment. Exposing ourselves to such input without respite and without perspective cannot be anything other than a source of chronic stress.

*(Extracted from The Complete Idiot's Guide to Beating Stress by Arlene Matthews Uhl - Penguin Group 2006)*

**Question 6:** According to the passage, which of the following has contributed to the intense nature of twenty-first-century stress?

- A. Our continual exposure to the media
- B. Our inability to control ourselves
- C. An overabundance of special news
- D. The degree to which stress affects our life

**Question 7:** In the past, we had less news of distant people and lands because \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. means of communication and transportation were not yet invented
- B. the printing press changed the situation too slowly
- C. most people lived in distant towns and villages
- D. printing, transportation, and telecommunications were not developed

**Question 8:** The pronoun "them" in paragraph 3 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. TV news
- B. cable access
- C. television sets
- D. TV channels

**Question 9:** The word "traumatic" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. fascinating
- B. upsetting
- C. exciting
- D. boring

**Question 10:** According to the passage, when there is not enough actual breaking news, broadcasts \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. send out frightening stories about potential dangers
- B. are forced to publicise an alarming increase in crime
- C. are full of dangerous diseases such as flu
- D. send out live newscasts paired with text across the screen

**Question 11:** As stated in the passage, a flu outbreak and the bogus claims of a wrinkle cream tend to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. be warmly welcomed by the public
- B. be treated with equal alarm
- C. involve natural and man-made disasters
- D. be scarce breaking news

**Question 12:** Which of the following is NOT true, according to the passage?

- A. The only source of stress in our modern life is the media.
- B. The news that is reported to us is not good news.
- C. Many TV channels supply the public with breaking news.
- D. Many people are under stress caused by the media.

**Question 13:** The word "slip" in paragraph 6 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. bring
- B. release
- C. fail
- D. fall

**Question 14:** According to the passage, our continual exposure to bad news without perspective is obviously \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. a source of defects in human brain
- B. the result of an overabundance of good news
- C. the result of human brain's switch to alarm mode
- D. a source of chronic stress

**Question 15:** What is probably the best title for this passage?

- A. Developments in Telecommunications
- B. The Media – A Major Cause of Stress
- C. Effective Ways to Beat Stress
- D. More Modern Life – More Stress

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that has the underlined part pronounced differently from the rest in each of the following questions.**

- Question 16:** A. faithful      B. attain      C. certain      D. plain  
**Question 17:** A. supply      B. reserve      C. sensitive      D. universal  
**Question 18:** A. weather      B. treatment      C. repeat      D. teaching  
**Question 19:** A. documentary      B. population      C. maxium      D. stimulate  
**Question 20:** A. started      B. maintained      C. survived      D. determined

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase for each of the blanks from 21 to 30.**

The popular image of student life is of young people with few responsibilities enjoying themselves and (21)\_\_\_\_\_ very little work. This is often not true. Many older people now study at college or university, sometimes (22)\_\_\_\_\_ a part-time basis while having a job and looking after a family. These students are often (23)\_\_\_\_\_ motivated and work very hard.

Younger students are often thought to be lazy and careless about money but this (24)\_\_\_\_\_ is changing. In Britain reduced government support for higher education means that students can no longer rely on having their expenses (25)\_\_\_\_\_ for them. Formerly, students received a grant towards their living expenses. Now most can only get a loan (26)\_\_\_\_\_ has to be paid back. Since 1999 they have paid over £1 000 towards tuition (27)\_\_\_\_\_ and this amount will increase up to a maximum of £3 000. In the US students already (28)\_\_\_\_\_ pay for tuition and room and board. Many get a financial aid package which may (29)\_\_\_\_\_ grants, scholarships and loans. The fear of having large debts places (30)\_\_\_\_\_ pressure on students and many take part-time jobs during the term and work full-time in the vacations.

*(Extracted from Oxford Guide to British and American Culture – Oxford Advanced Learner's Compass)*

- Question 21:** A. carrying      B. making      C. doing      D. producing  
**Question 22:** A. with      B. at      C. for      D. on  
**Question 23:** A. adequately      B. absolutely      C. highly      D. mainly  
**Question 24:** A. state      B. condition      C. position      D. situation  
**Question 25:** A. paying      B. pay      C. paid      D. to pay  
**Question 26:** A. who      B. which      C. what      D. whether  
**Question 27:** A. charge      B. money      C. allowances      D. fees  
**Question 28:** A. had better      B. may      C. have to      D. should  
**Question 29:** A. compose      B. consist      C. include      D. belong  
**Question 30:** A. generous      B. large      C. considerate      D. considerable

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.**

- Question 31:** Take this route and you will get to the village.  
A. Unless you take this route, you will get to the village.  
B. Certainly, you will get to the village if you take this route.  
C. Although this route may lead you to the village, you cannot take it.  
D. There is no doubt that this route will never lead you to the village.
- Question 32:** I have never used a more fascinating MP3 player than this one.  
A. This is the most fascinating MP3 player I have ever used.  
B. This MP3 player does not fascinate me much.  
C. I am very fascinated by the MP3 player I am using.  
D. Like the other MP3 players, this one is fascinating to me.

**Question 33:** I think it is more enjoyable to play a sport than to watch it on TV.

- A. In my view, playing a sport is as enjoyable as watching it on TV.
- B. I think watching a sport on TV is more enjoyable than playing it.
- C. In my opinion, to play a sport is more enjoyable than to watch it on TV.
- D. As far as I know, more people watch a sport on TV than they play it.

**Question 34:** "Trust me! Do not invest all your money in one company," said my friend.

- A. My friend ordered me to invest all my money in one company.
- B. My friend encouraged me to invest all my money in one company.
- C. My friend persuaded me not to invest all my money in one company.
- D. My friend offered to help me to invest all my money in one company.

**Question 35:** "May I see your passport, Mrs Scott?" said the customs officer.

- A. The customs officer promised to show Mrs Scott his passport.
- B. The customs officer suggested seeing Mrs Scott's passport.
- C. The customs officer asked Mrs Scott to see his passport.
- D. The customs officer asked to see Mrs Scott's passport.

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to show the underlined part that needs correction.*

**Question 36:** In spite of the heavy rain, all we enjoyed the excursion.

A B C D

**Question 37:** Wood is an excellent resource for heating homes, cooking food, and build houses.

A B C D

**Question 38:** Opened the letter from her boyfriend, she felt extremely excited.

A B C D

**Question 39:** The children wish that they have more free time to play football.

A B C D

**Question 40:** A dolphin can communicate with other by making distinctive sounds.

A B C D

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

**Question 41:** Susan, remember to apply this sun cream \_\_\_\_\_ two hours.

- A. every
- B. each
- C. some
- D. several

**Question 42:** Parts of the country are suffering water \_\_\_\_\_ after the unusually dry summer.

- A. thirst
- B. supply
- C. shortage
- D. hunger

**Question 43:** He gave \_\_\_\_\_ his job in order to go back to university.

- A. in
- B. up
- C. out
- D. away

**Question 44:** The police have begun an \_\_\_\_\_ into the accident which happened this afternoon.

- A. investigating
- B. investigation
- C. investigatory
- D. investigate

**Question 45:** No sooner \_\_\_\_\_ my car than the alarm went off.

- A. had the thief touched
- B. the thief had touched
- C. touched the thief
- D. the thief touched

**Question 46:** College students are becoming less dependent \_\_\_\_\_ their teachers.

- A. on
- B. to
- C. of
- D. with

**Question 47:** \_\_\_\_\_ he was tired, he still watched the final match on TV.

- A. Despite
- B. Because
- C. Though
- D. However

**Question 48:** How long ago \_\_\_\_\_ to learn French?

- A. have you started
- B. would you start
- C. were you starting
- D. did you start

- Question 49:** My teacher reminded me \_\_\_\_\_ my essay carefully before handing it in.  
 A. to have checked      B. to check      C. checked      D. checking
- Question 50:** I'd rather you \_\_\_\_\_ to the English-speaking club with me this Sunday.  
 A. will come      B. came      C. to come      D. come
- Question 51:** That cannot be a true story. He \_\_\_\_\_ it up.  
 A. can have made      B. must have made      C. should have made      D. would have made
- Question 52:** Sarah: "Oh my God, I've missed my bus."  
 Christ: "\_\_\_\_\_. Another will come here in ten minutes."  
 A. I hope so      B. Don't mention it      C. Don't worry      D. Thank you
- Question 53:** Jack: "What's wrong with you?"  
 Jill: "\_\_\_\_\_."  
 A. Thank you very much      B. I'm having a slight headache  
 C. No, I don't care      D. Yes, I was tired yesterday
- Question 54:** There is a good film \_\_\_\_\_ TV tonight. Will you watch it?  
 A. in      B. from      C. at      D. on
- Question 55:** The teacher said that I would be able to speak English fluently \_\_\_\_\_ six months.  
 A. in      B. by      C. till      D. since
- Question 56:** Nowadays, most students use \_\_\_\_\_ calculators in their studies and examinations.  
 A. electrical      B. electronic      C. electricity      D. electric
- Question 57:** Parts of the mountain road have been washed \_\_\_\_\_ after the floods.  
 A. through      B. out      C. off      D. away
- Question 58:** I hope you will \_\_\_\_\_ notice of what I am going to tell you.  
 A. take      B. get      C. keep      D. gain
- Question 59:** She was \_\_\_\_\_ angry that she could not say a word.  
 A. so      B. too much      C. so many      D. such
- Question 60:** Neither Tom nor his brothers \_\_\_\_\_ willing to help their mother with the housework.  
 A. has been      B. is      C. was      D. are
- Question 61:** Spain has won the championship, \_\_\_\_\_ is not surprising.  
 A. which      B. that      C. what      D. how
- Question 62:** This carpet really needs \_\_\_\_\_. Can you do it for me, son?  
 A. cleaned      B. cleaning      C. clean      D. being cleaned
- Question 63:** Mary: "Do you mind if I sit here?"  
 Laura: "\_\_\_\_\_"  
 A. My pleasure.      B. Don't mention it.      C. No, not at all.      D. Yes, why not?
- Question 64:** Instead of staying around the house all day, you should be out there looking \_\_\_\_\_ a job.  
 A. for      B. into      C. after      D. at
- Question 65:** They are having their house \_\_\_\_\_ by a construction company.  
 A. painted      B. painting      C. to paint      D. being painted

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word or phrase CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.**

- Question 66:** A special exhibition of Indian art will be opened at the National Museum next month.  
 A. music      B. painting      C. show      D. programme
- Question 67:** Traffic began to flow normally again after the accident.  
 A. in the usual or ordinary way      B. repeatedly in different modes  
 C. strangely and irregularly      D. with the same speed
- Question 68:** Don't be concerned about your mother's illness; she'll recover soon.  
 A. angry with      B. surprised at      C. embarrassed at      D. worried about

**Read the following passage on climate change, and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 69 to 78.**

Experts in climatology and other scientists are becoming extremely concerned about the changes to our climate which are taking place. Admittedly, climate changes have occurred on our planet before. For example, there have been several ice ages or glacial periods.

These climatic changes, however, were different from the modern ones in that they occurred gradually and, as far as we know, naturally. The changes currently being monitored are said to be the result not of natural causes, but of human activity. Furthermore, the rate of change is becoming **alarmingly** rapid.

The major problem is that the planet appears to be warming up. According to some experts, this warming process, known as global warming, is occurring at a rate unprecedented in the last 10,000 years. The implications for the planet are very serious. Rising global temperatures could give rise to such ecological disasters as extremely high increases in the incidence of flooding and of droughts. These in turn could have a harmful effect on agriculture.

It is thought that this unusual warming of the Earth has been caused by so-called greenhouse gases, such as carbon dioxide, being emitted into the atmosphere by car engines and modern industrial processes, for example. Such gases not only add to the pollution of the atmosphere, but also create a greenhouse effect, by which the heat of the sun is trapped. This leads to the warming up of the planet.

Politicians are also concerned about climate change and there are now regular summits on the subject, attended by representatives from around 180 of the world's industrialized countries. Of these summits, the most important took place in Kyoto in Japan in 1997. **There** it was agreed that the most industrialized countries would try to reduce the volume of greenhouse gas emissions and were given targets for this reduction of emissions.

It was also suggested that more forests should be planted to create so-called sinks to absorb greenhouse gases. At least part of the problem of rapid climate change has been caused by too **drastic** deforestation.

Sadly, the targets are not being met. Even more sadly, global warnings about climate changes are often still being regarded as scaremongering.

*(From Read and Understand 2 by Betty Kirkpatrick & Rebecca Mok - Learners Publishing Pte Ltd 2005)*

**Question 69:** According to the passage, in what way did the climate changes in the ice ages differ from the modern ones?

- A. They were partly intended.
- B. They were fully monitored by humans.
- C. They occurred naturally over a long period of time.
- D. They were wholly the result of human activity.

**Question 70:** The word "**alarmingly**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. surprisingly
- B. disapprovingly
- C. disappointingly
- D. worryingly

**Question 71:** According to the passage, agriculture could \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. make the global warming more serious
- B. be indirectly affected by the global temperature rises
- C. give rise to many ecological disasters
- D. be directly damaged by the rises in global temperature

**Question 72:** Greenhouse gases cause the warming up of the Earth because they \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. are unusual gases
- B. are emitted by car engines
- C. do not add to atmosphere pollution
- D. trap heat from the sun

**Question 73:** According to the passage, 1997 witnessed \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the highest attendance by representatives from 180 industrialised countries
- B. the largest number of summits on the subject of climate change
- C. the most important summit on climate change taking place in Kyoto, Japan
- D. widespread concern about climate change



**Question 74:** It can be inferred from the passage that the countries which are mainly responsible for global warming are \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the most industrialised countries
- B. developed countries
- C. developing countries
- D. countries with the warmest climate

**Question 75:** The word “**There**” in paragraph 5 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the 1997 summit in Kyoto, Japan
- B. the most industrialised countries
- C. the world’s industrialised countries
- D. regular summits on climate change

**Question 76:** Which of the following is NOT true, according to the passage?

- A. The so-called sinks created by forests can absorb greenhouse gases.
- B. Carbon dioxide is one of the gases that may cause the so-called greenhouse effect.
- C. The problem of rapid climate change has been caused mainly by deforestation.
- D. Politicians are among those who are concerned about climate change.

**Question 77:** The word “**drastic**” in paragraph 6 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. hard
- B. widespread
- C. obvious
- D. severe

**Question 78:** What is probably the writer’s attitude toward global warming?

- A. Positive
- B. Pessimistic
- C. Neutral
- D. Optimistic

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word or phrase **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.*

**Question 79:** His boss has had enough of his impudence, and doesn't want to hire him any more.

- A. agreement
- B. respect
- C. rudeness
- D. obedience

**Question 80:** She was unhappy that she lost contact with a lot of her old friends when she went abroad to study.

- A. put in charge of
- B. made room for
- C. got in touch with
- D. lost control of

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