

Question 1: Mrs Brown and Mrs Smith are talking about teaching teamwork skills to children.

- Mrs Brown : "Teamwork skills should be taught to children."

- Mrs Smith : "_____. They are necessary for their future life."

A. I don't either

B. I totally agree with you

C. You're wrong

D. You're welcome

Question 2: Sarah is talking to Jim at her birthday party.

- Sarah : "Thanks for your amazing gift."

- Jim : "_____."

A. I'm afraid not.

B. I'm glad you like it.

C. What nonsense!

D. That's terrible.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 3: A. sight

B. rice

C. ship

D. time

Question 4: A. plans

B. mends

C. flows

D. knocks

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 primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 5: A. chemistry

B. badminton

C. decision

D. applicant

Question 6: A. finish

B. divide

C. attempt

D. employ

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

Question 7: The manager failed to _____ his anger and started to shout at his staff uncontrollably.

A. detain

B. comprise

C. include

D. contain

Question 8: If Linda _____ here now, she could enjoy the party with us.

A. will be

B. would be

C. were

D. are

Question 9: Bob is fond _____ going swimming in his free time.

A. on

B. at

C. with

D. of

Question 10: _____ poor need more help in this difficult time.

A. A

B. An

C. The

D. Ø (no article)

Question 11: When James was in Vietnam, he tried a _____ of Vietnamese dishes.

A. variety

B. variously

C. various

D. vary

Question 12: My grandfather still leads an active life _____ his old age.

A. despite

B. because

C. because of

D. although

Question 13: Sue argued till she was _____ in the face, but she couldn't change her husband's mind.

A. black

B. blue

C. yellow

D. purple

Question 14: You can sing this song, _____ ?

A. haven't you

B. didn't you

C. can't you

D. won't you

Question 15: Alex needs to _____ the habit of staying up late in order to stay healthy.

A. make

B. break

C. raise

D. take

Question 16: Little Johnny was very excited at the toy cars _____ in the shop window.

A. were displaying

B. were displayed

C. displaying

D. displayed

Question 17: -----, we will go out for a drink.

A. After you had finished work.

B. As soon as you finish work.

C. When you finished work.

D. Once you finished work.

Question 18: They----- hiking in spite of the bad weather.

A. turned down.

B. looked after

C. went on

D. took off

C. Kent doesn't play volleyball better than I do.

D. I play volleyball better than Kent does.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answers sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.

Question 32: Sex education is very important. Many schools have begun teaching it to their students.

A. Important as sex education is, many schools have begun teaching it to their students.

B. It is only when their student grasp the importance of sex education that many schools begin teaching it.

C. Such is the importance of sex education that many schools have begun teaching it to their students.

D. Not until their students are aware of the importance of sex education will many schools begin teaching it.

Question 33: Social distancing was effective. The rate of Covid-19 infection was kept under control.

A. If social distancing had been effective, the rate of Covid-19 wouldn't have been kept control.

B. Without effective social distancing, the rate of Covid-19 infection would have been kept under control.

C. But for effective social distancing, the rate of Covid-19 infection would be kept under control.

D. If it hadn't for effective social distancing, the rate of Covid-19 infection wouldn't have been kept control.

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

PEER PRESSURE

Sociologists have been carrying out research into the social pressures of being a teenager. (34)_____ adolescents are unhappy at school because they find it difficult to make friends, which can bring on illness or (35)_____ in poor grades. They may also worry about their appearance and often feel under enormous pressure to dress, talk and behave the same as others. This phenomenon is called peer pressure, and it is very common in today's society.

Advertising is claimed to contribute a lot to the social pressures teenagers experience. Advertisers know how important it is to feel that you belong to a group when you are in your teens, (36)_____ they try to persuade teenagers that certain products will make them popular with their classmates. Sadly, many teenagers act (37)_____ and even do dangerous things just to make others accept them. Peer pressure is often the reason for teenage smoking, drug abuse or dangerous driving. Teenagers need to learn 'no' to social pressure and to find friends (38)_____ they can't talk things over with when they have a problem.

(Adapted from *Mastering Use of English* by Georgia Graham with Anna Johnson)

Question 34:

A. Each

C. Every

B. Any

D. Many

Question 35:

A. lead

B. results

C. induce

D. cause

Question 36:

A. nor

B. till

C. so

D. but

Question 37:

A. irrelevantly

B. informally

C. irresponsibly

D.

inconsiderably

Question 38:

A. which

B. why

C. where

D. who

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 question from 39 to 43.

A recent study shows that an unequal share of household chores is still the norm in many families, despite the fact that many more women now have jobs. In the survey, men said they contributed an average of 37 per cent of total housework, while the women estimated their share to be nearly double that, at 70 per cent. That ratio was not affected by whether the woman was working or not.

When they were asked that they thought was a fair division of labour, women with jobs felt that housework should be share equally between male and female partners. Women who did not work outside the home were satisfied to perform 80 per cent if their husband did **the remainder**. Research has shown that, if levels increase beyond these percentages, women become unhappy and anxious, and feel **they** are unimportant.

After marriage, a women is reported to increase her household workload by 14 hours per week, but for men the increased amount is just 90 minutes. So the division of labour becomes unbalanced. It is the inequality and loss of respect, not the actual number of hours, which leads to anxiety and depression. The research describes household chores as thankless and unfulfilling. Women who have jobs report that they feel overworked by the chores in addition to their professional duties.

In cases where men perform most of the housework, results were similar. The research showed that the least distressed people are those who have an equal share. The research concludes. "Everybody benefits from sharing the housework. Even for women keeping house, a shared division of labour is important. If you decide to stay at home to raise the children, you don't want to become the servant of the house".

(Adapted from Achieve IELTS 1 by Louis Harrison and Caroline Cushen)

Question 39: Which is the most suitable title for the passage?

- A. Benefits of Doing Household Chores for Working Women
- B. Men's Doing Household Chores Cause Stress
- C. A Housekeeping Guide for Working Men
- D. An Equal Share of Housework Makes a Happy Relationship

Question 40: In the survey mentioned in paragraph 1, men said that they.....

- A. did not share the housework when they had jobs
- B. contributed 70 per cent of the total housework
- C. did around 37 percent pf the total housework
- D. shared half of the total work

Question 41: The phrase "**the remainder**" in paragraph 2 mostly means _____.

- A. the majority
- B. the worst
- C. the rest
- D. the best

Question 42: The word "**they**" in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. women
- B. percentages
- C. husbands
- D. levels

Question 43: According to the study in the passage, which of the following is TRUE?

- A. Working women believed that household chores should be shared equally.
- B. The amount of time spent doing housework for a married man is under 90 minutes.
- C. Women tend to spend less time on household chores after getting married.
- D. Working men do not feed distressed doing a larger share of household chores.

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 44 to 50

The word 'grandparents' is descriptive of the unique dual parenting role that this generation assume. It emphasises the vital part they play in family life. With a wealth of old world experience behind them, and with the unique ability to **metamorphose** from advisers or mediators into listeners or friends, they can offer support and stability in an ever-changing world. The underlying sense of responsibility that goes with this is tremendous. Grandparents perform a balancing act between the needs of their adult children and those of their grandchildren. This role is varied. It is imperial at times, muted at others. It goes underground whenever required, but it is solid and absolutely dependable.

Grandparents often bridge the gap between parents and children. Rebellious, independent children who are trying to find their feet are almost always **at loggerheads** with their parents. The role of grandparents can be very important provided that they act as impartial judges and are able

to convey this feeling to both parties. Grandchildren, in most cases, prefer to listen to their grandparents rather than their parents, **who** often end up finding themselves up against a brick wall.

One important thing, which seems to be missing in the lives of children today, is a sense of family, values, beliefs and principles. This is where the grandparents step in. However, instilling beliefs and values is not as easy as it was fifty or sixty years ago. Then, no questions were asked and there was an implicit sense of trust. With changing times and changing outlooks, children have started to question the validity of everything around them. Globalisation has gradually eroded children's sense of belonging and weakened their identification with their roots. Science and technology force them to doubt every traditional belief.

Parents, who have so many demands on their time, are perhaps not in the best position to instil traditional values in their offspring. Children are very demanding and grandparents, without appearing to be pushy, have both the time and the experience to deal with tantrums. They can appease, soothe and impart values with tremendous ease. Any nation's traditional culture is rich and varied, but how many children recognise this? Grandparents can teach them to value culture traditions and thereby inform their moral development.

(Adapted from *Cambridge Vocabulary for Advanced* by Simon Haines)

Question 44: Which is the most suitable title for the passage ?

- A. The Role of Grandparents in Children's Upbringing.
- B. Grandparents as Versatile Educators in Their Neighbourhoods.
- C. The Importance of Early Education to a Child's Academic Performance.
- D. The Education of Children during Their Formative Years.

Question 45: The word "**metamorphose**" in paragraph 1 could be best replaced by _____

- A. depart
- B. form
- C. change
- D. return

Question 46: According to the passage, in a modern household _____

- A. children's needs should be prioritized over their parent's
- B. grandparent's rich experience can come in handy
- C. children can act as a go-between for their parents
- D. the role of grandparents must be imperial at all times

Question 47: The phrase "**at loggerheads**" in paragraph 3 mostly means _____

- A. complaining
- B. disagreeing
- C. conversing
- D. sharing

Question 48: The word "**who**" in paragraph 3 refers to _____

- A. parents
- B. judges
- C. children
- D. grandparents

Question 49: Which of the following is TRUE, according to the passage ?

- A. Children nowadays have a stronger sense of family, values, beliefs, and principles.
- B. Children these days have started to re-examine traditional beliefs and values.
- C. As a rule, children prefer their parents' advice to their grandparents'.
- D. The task of imparting knowledge and values to children was neglected in the past.

Question 50: Which of the following can be inferred from the passage ?

- A. Without guidance, children may fail to appreciate the cultural traditions of their nations.
- B. In general, working parents are in the best position to impart values to their children.
- C. Compared to grandparents, parents have a stronger sense of responsibility towards their families.
- D. Children in families with grandparents tend to experience more trust issues than others.

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