

Question 16: You should cut down _____ electricity usage to reduce your carbon footprint.

- A. in B. for C. to D. on

Question 17: People watch American Idol not only to see the participants sing, but also to hear comments of the judges, who play an important role in the _____.

- A. competition B. competitive C. compete D. competitor

Question 18: Many international volunteer organizations are trying to _____ a solution to the problem of world hunger.

- A. make B. meet C. find D. get

Question 19: If you can do something to help others, you will find your life _____.

- A. helpless B. interested C. meaningful D. meaningless

Question 20: Thao Nguyen Xanh admitted _____ a mistake because she has fooled her customers.

- A. to make B. make C. making D. to making

III. READING: (2,0pts)

PART 1: Read the following passage carefully and then choose the best option to fit each numbered blank (from 21 to 25).

We are all around computers (21) _____ play an important role in our day to day lives, like we are very much dependent them for doing many things including giving users the ability to quickly and easily store and process data. Since the invention of computer, they (22) _____ in terms of increased computing power and decreased size. Computers are used in many sectors like Education, Health and Medicine, Financial Institutions, Transport System, E-Commerce, Defence etc.

Computers connect us to the world of unknown. They help us gathering knowledge and huge information from the internet and storing it. Computers are multitasking and (23) _____ enough to be used almost anywhere and everywhere including banks. Computer provide security from destructive forces and from unwanted action from unauthorized users like cyber attack or access attack.

Now computer is not just a calculating device, it has become much more than that. One of the main (24) _____ of computer is its incredible speed, which helps human to complete their task in few seconds. All the operations can be performed very fast just (25) _____ its speed else wise it takes a long time to perform the task.

- Question 21:** A. who B. whom C. whose D. which
Question 22: A. evolved B. evolve C. has evolved D. have evolved
Question 23: A. accurate B. accurately C. inaccuracy D. accuracy
Question 24: A. inventions B. tasks C. roles D. advantages
Question 25: A. although B. because C. because of D. despite

PART 2: 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 30).

Music has been integral to our lives. Not all types of music have favourable effects, for example, if it is too loud or noisy or **it** distracts us from our work. However, in general, surprising benefits for health of music exposure have been discovered.

Overall, music has beneficial effects in pain relief. Listening to music can reduce sensation caused by chronic pain by up to 21% and depression by 25%. Music therapy, therefore, has been applied together with medication to reduce pain during childbirth and surgeries.

Research also shows that music also modifies heartbeat and blood pressure within a positive range. The heart beats faster as we listen to lively music and when the music slows, so do our heart and breath rate. In another study, old people suffering from high blood pressure reported significantly lower blood pressure as a result of listening to calm music after 30 minutes.

Apart from all those **benefits**, other effects are related to better sleep, strengthened memory and better general health. Most researchers conclude that our preference of music doesn't play the main role, but the tempo and the theme of the music we are exposed to are the most important factors that affect the remedy results.

Question 26: The word "it" in the first paragraph refers to _____.

- A. lives B. music C. effects D. types

Question 27: How does slow music modify heartbeat?

- A. It doesn't actually make any changes to heartbeat.

- B. It makes our heart beat slowly and then fast.
- C. It makes heartbeat slow.
- D. It makes the heart beat faster.

Question 28: What is the effect of music on people with high blood pressure?

- A. They can take less medicine.
- B. Their blood pressure is greatly lowered.
- C. Their blood pressure is lowered after listening to exciting music.
- D. Their blood pressure is slightly lowered.

Question 29: The word "**benefits**" in the last paragraph is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. efficiency
- B. elements
- C. heartbeat
- D. effects

Question 30: What is the best title for the passage?

- A. How music affects our brain
- B. Helpful health effects gained from music
- C. Emotional and physical benefits of music
- D. Music can reduce pain

IV. WRITING: (2,0 pts)

PART 1: Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction (0,5 pt).

Question 31. What is she doing when her mother was making lunch?

- A
- B
- C
- D

Question 32. Has your brother finished to do the homework that I gave him last week ?.

- A
- B
- C
- D

PART 2: Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it.

Question 33. They are going to pick up litter in the central park this weekend.

→ Litter in the central park _____.

Question 34. The last time I saw Rose was three years ago.

→ I haven't _____.

Question 35. His parents don't allow him to watch such TV shows.

→ His parents don't let _____.

PART 3: In about 80 - 100 words, write a paragraph about an important invention you know:

You can use the following questions as cues:

- What is it?
- How does it work?
- What do you use it for?
- What benefits does it bring?

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