

I. LISTENING (1.0 point)

Question 1-5. You will hear a talk about the pitfalls and pleasures of being a postgraduate student. For each question, write the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet. (0.5 point)

- Most postgraduate students are studying _____.
A. vocational training courses
C. full-time courses
B. research-based courses
D. part-time courses
- Postgraduate students are advised to _____.
A. take as many subjects as possible
C. be sure to have a definite goal
B. accept an intellectual challenge
D. have already completed training
- The speaker says that where you study _____.
A. is of minimal importance
C. must be reasonably priced
B. must be somewhere you like
D. should be based on your course
- Choosing an institution should be mainly based on _____.
A. the quality of the housing for postgraduates
B. the reputation of the department they work in
C. the reputation of the organization they attend
D. the quality of the supervision they receive
- Postgraduates can avoid feeling alone by _____.
A. joining associations of their peers
B. developing outside interests
C. participating in the outside community
D. making friends outside the university

Question 6-10. You will hear a recorded message giving tourists travel information in a large city. For each question, listen and write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER on your answer sheet. (0.5 point)

Stop	Attraction	Further Information
STOP A: Green Banks	Palace	• has lovely (6) _____
STOP B: City Bridge	(7) _____	• has good views over the old (8) _____ centre of the city
STOP C: Roman Landing	Museum	• a large shop specializing in (9) _____
STOP D: Newtown	Entertainment Complex	• (10) _____ cinema • bowling alley • video games arcade

II. PHONETICS (0.5 point)

Question 11-13. Write the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest.

- A. famine B. examine C. landmine D. determine
- A. composed B. collapsed C. excused D. enclosed
- A. chivalry B. orchestra C. cholesterol D. architecture

35. - Mark: "Don't forget to drop me a line when you settle down."

- Donna: "_____"

A. All right! I will buy you a ring.

B. Trust me. I won't. I'll keep you posted.

C. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

D. Oh, that's great! But I'm going to miss you.

Question 36-40. Read the text and use the bold words in brackets to form words that fit in the numbered blanks. For each blank, write your answer on your answer sheet. (0.5 point)

The ambitious "Sunnyside Community Solar" project, which began construction early last year, is (36. report) **report** on track to be fully operational by late autumn. Having overcome initial funding challenges and some logistical delays due to (37. season) **season** weather, organisers are now focusing on the final installation phase. The project, designed to provide clean energy to over 500 local households and several municipal buildings, has been widely praised for its collaborative approach, involving (38. number) **number** volunteers. Once connected to the grid, it is anticipated that the solar farm will significantly reduce the area's carbon footprint. Local officials, who have strongly supported the initiative from the (39. set) **set**, believe this could serve as an inspiring model for other towns (40. consider) **consider** similar renewable energy ventures. Many residents are eagerly awaiting the switch-on, hopeful for lower energy bills.

Question 41-45. Identify 5 mistakes in the following passage and correct them. Write your answer on your answer sheet. (0.5 point)

Line	Passage
1	Any supermarket you walk into these days has got at least one aisle dedicating to organic foods.
2	We are seeing more and more 'organic only' supermarkets opening too. Is this because the
3	owners of these chains are determined to improve consumers' choice and protect them from the
4	harmful effects of food additives? I decided to sample some meats, dairy products and fruit and
5	vegetables marketed as organic wholefoods. Therefore, after some research, I discovered that
6	none of the foods were grown locally. They also claim that preserves are not used in their
7	products - so, given that these same products are transported over long distances before they
8	reach their destination on the supermarket shelves, just how 'fresh' are they? I'm not sure I
9	really want to pay twice the price of regular supermarket products and go the risk of getting
10	food poisoning with the bargain.

IV. READING (30 points)

Question 46-55. Read the following passage and write the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the answer that best fits the blank in the following passage. (1.0 point)

It is surely (46) _____ dispute that soap opera is the most consistently popular type of television programme in the world. It refers to a story about the lives and problems of a group of people which is broadcast every day or several times a week on television or radio. It has succeeded in (47) _____ the imagination of millions since it first emerged as a genre back in the 1930s. The word 'soap' alludes (48) _____ the role originally played by detergent manufacturers, who promoted their products during commercial (49) _____. Soap operas have been dismissed as mindless entertainment, with viewers only (50) _____ these programmes in order to escape from reality.

Soaps are often set in friendly, (51) _____ neighbourhoods, evoking nostalgic feelings in some viewers, since such communities may no longer exist in many areas. The subject matter of soaps also (52) _____ great appeal for viewers and they often find soaps compelling and absorbing. That is because the stories (53) _____ focus on domestic problems they may have experienced themselves.

There has been a significant shift in attitudes with many soaps now (54) _____ moral and social issues. The characters and situations depicted are complex and ambiguous, providing much (55) _____ for thought and no easy answers.

46. A. beyond

B. over

C. about

D. under

47. A. commanding

B. capturing

C. conquering

D. carrying

48. A. for

B. at

C. to

D. of

49. A. intervals

B. breaks

C. periods

D. pauses

50. A. allowing for

B. residing in

C. following up

D. resorting to

51. A. close-set

B. far-flung

C. single-minded

D. tight-knit

52. A. catches

B. holds

C. bears

D. brings

53. A. permanently B. uniformly C. perpetually D. invariably
 54. A. enquiring B. addressing C. commenting D. translating
 55. A. food B. bread C. fruit D. sweet

Question 56-65. Read the following passage and fill each numbered blank with ONE suitable word. Write your answers on your answer sheet. (1.0 point)

Being a responsible tourist

More and more people are becoming concerned about how tourism affects the planet. (56) _____ to the increasing availability of cheap flights on budget airlines, remote destinations, once considered too far off the beaten (57) _____ for the average traveller, are fast becoming accessible (58) _____ mass tourism. The construction of airports and resorts is harming ecosystems and traditional ways of (59) _____, and visitors should not underestimate their ability to (60) _____ a positive contribution.

The idea of sustainable travel is to travel in a way (61) _____ causes minimal environmental impact. By using greener (62) _____ of transport and recycling, we help to maintain ecosystems. Shopping in markets that offer an impressive collection of handicrafts and products made by local artisans directly benefits the economy, as (63) _____ staying in smaller guesthouses, where the hospitality of hosts can make the visit (64) _____ more memorable and authentic experience. Responsible travel allows us to continue exploring the planet (65) _____ preserving its untouched beauty, healthy ecosystems and diverse communities.

Question 66-75. Read the following passage and write the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions. (1.0 point)

A MODERN HEALTH PROBLEM

There is growing concern about the way we view food, which goes beyond the "do we live to eat or eat to live" debate. More and more children are leading inactive, sedentary lifestyles and are suffering from obesity. In the 1990s, tobacco-related diseases were the problem, but aggressive anti-smoking campaigns caused the focus of concern to shift. In the new millennium, obesity appears to be the major health concern, and not only among children with far-reaching repercussions. Obese children suffer taunts, jibes and bullying from their peers and this, instead of causing them to rethink their eating habits, may perpetuate the vicious circle; in other words, these children turn to "comfort eating" which adds to their weight problem.

Researchers have noted that some children are doing less than one or two minutes of "moderate activity" in an hour, which is an alarmingly lower amount than that recorded in previous studies. The problem seems to be worse in teenage girls than in teenage boys, with older children getting much less exercise than younger ones.

Parents realize that their children are overweight, but do not know enough about nutrition to give their offspring the support they need in order to help them change their lifestyles. Given time pressures from work and family, more and more people rely on pre-cooked convenience foods or quick fry-ups, thus exacerbating the problem.

There is some recognition of the problem, but it is not widely advertised. For example, there are "Weight Loss Camps" aimed at obese children where, along with their slightly less overweight peers, they learn to read food labels and understand the nutritional content of food, or lack of it, eat healthily and do exercises. This experience can also restore their self-confidence, as they are surrounded by youngsters with the same problem.

But by and large, it is not an issue which is taken very seriously. Schools are partly to blame for the worsening of the problem, as they have marginalized physical education due to the pressures of the national curriculum. Also, they have bowed to financial pressure and sold off playing fields, often in order to buy more up-to-date computers, which in turn encourage sedentary lifestyles.

The food industry must also shoulder some of the responsibility, as their advertising campaigns promote foodstuffs which are high in fat and sugar content. Such advertisements are often aimed at children, and frequently feature such products as fizzy drinks, king-size chocolate bars and over larger packets of crisps. Such foods are attractive to families on low incomes because you now get more for the same price as the original, smaller portion. However, children who have large bags of crisps or bars of chocolate in their school lunch-boxes don't save half for the next day; they eat the whole thing. It would appear that fast food marketing people have seized upon children as being brand-loyal from the

cradle to the grave. They target small children with give-away toys, a worrying trend which, some believe, warrants government action.

66. In the text as a whole, the writer's purpose is to _____.
A. draw attention to the causes of obesity
B. discuss the eating habits of those with eating disorders
C. extol the benefits of healthy eating
D. criticize those who encourage children to eat junk food
67. In paragraph 1, what does the writer say about the anti-smoking campaigns of the 1990s?
A. They were not really successful.
B. They did reduce the number of smokers during the decade.
C. They focused on the wrong subjects.
D. It took a long time for these campaigns to reach their goals.
68. What does the phrase perpetuate the vicious circle in paragraph 1 suggest about the behavior of obese children?
A. They are happy with their weight and do not feel the need to change their habits.
B. Their weight problems usually decrease over time as they mature and become more active.
C. Their emotional response to bullying leads to further overeating, which increases their weight problem.
D. They choose to ignore the bullying and continue with their current diet and lifestyle without reflection.
69. What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
A. Physical activity among young children is decreasing, but teenagers remain active and healthy.
B. Physical inactivity is a growing concern, especially among teenage girls who tend to exercise less than others.
C. Teenagers are becoming more aware of the benefits of exercise and are working to improve their health.
D. Boys are more affected by the issue of obesity than girls, as they are generally more sedentary.
70. According to the text, why do many parents fail to help their overweight children?
A. Parents usually believe their children are not overweight and therefore see no reason to take action.
B. Parents are too busy with their personal interests to care about their children's diet and well-being.
C. Parents lack the necessary knowledge about nutrition and have limited time to prepare healthy meals.
D. Parents trust that schools and the government will take responsibility for their children's health.
71. The word they in paragraph 3 refers to _____.
A. children B. parents C. lifestyles D. pressures
72. The writer uses the example of "Weight Loss Camps" in paragraph 4 to show that _____.
A. a number of people are aware of the problem of corpulence
B. solutions to the problems of obesity are available
C. a large percentage of children are obese
D. programs involving people who share a problem are effective
73. According to the passage, a significant number of schools _____.
A. have taken inappropriate decisions under duress
B. are obliged to purchase state-of-the-art computers
C. have exacerbated the problem of obesity by promoting physical education
D. are under pressure to report overweight children to a government agency
74. In paragraph 6, why are families on low incomes more likely to choose unhealthy foods?
A. Healthy foods are often unavailable in poorer neighborhoods and require special preparation tools.
B. These families generally distrust modern advertising and rely on traditional cooking methods.
C. Large-sized packages of snacks seem like a better deal, offering more food for the same price.
D. Most parents from low-income backgrounds are unaware of the risks of unhealthy food consumption.
75. The word seized upon in paragraph 6 is closest in meaning to _____.
A. dismissed B. explored C. rejected D. exploited

V. WRITING (2.5 points)

Question 76-80. Write the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph/letter in each of the following questions. (0.5 point)

- 76.
- a. When you go out with friends, decide how many times you will look at your phone - maybe only two or three times in an evening.
 - b. That way, no one can look at their phone and you can all enjoy each other's company.
 - c. Ask your friends about how they feel.
 - d. It's important to give yourself rules to enjoy quality time with your friends.
 - e. If they have the same problem as you, put all of your phones together, in a pile and out of the way.
- A. d-c-a-c-b B. d-a-c-c-b C. a-c-c-d-b D. a-c-c-b-d

- 77.
- a. Slowing down gives us the opportunity to see things more clearly and make the right decisions, and in the end it may help us to have better ideas and a healthier life.
 - b. So sit back and do nothing for a little while - your brain and body will thank you for it.
 - c. We are in such a hurry that we are creating big problems for ourselves.
 - d. Einstein, one of the greatest scientific minds of all time, spent a lot of time daydreaming, and psychologists agree that this helps us to be more creative.
 - e. The answer to this is simple: slow down!
- A. d-b-a-c-c B. a-c-b-c-d C. c-e-a-d-b D. c-c-b-d-a

- 78.
- a. Experts have discovered that simply taking the antioxidant lycopene - a substance in tomatoes highly popular as a health food supplement to prevent cancer - did not work as well as eating whole tomatoes.
 - b. Leading scientists have announced that tomatoes can be of great benefit to our health.
 - c. This is why scientists today believe that people should eat tomatoes in pastas, salads, tomato juice and pizza, rather than take supplements.
 - d. It now seems that it's the whole tomato that may lower cancer risks, not parts of it, according to some new studies.
 - e. A lot of research has been done in recent years, trying to understand why that is.
- A. b-d-c-e-a B. b-c-e-a-d C. b-a-c-d-e D. e c-d-a-c

- 79.
- Dear Mom and Dad,
- a. You really mean the world to me; you gave me the wings to fly away and explore this world on my own.
 - b. Thank you very much for the love, care, and affection you showered me with.
 - c. I know you do not need this thank you, but I am doing it for myself.
 - d. I have never said it before, but you are the best parents one could ever get.
 - e. I may not be able to ever return that to you, but I want to say *I love you!* and thanks for making me the most cherished person in your life.
- Love you,
- A. b-d-a-c-c B. b-d-c-a-c C. c-d-a-b-e D. c-a-d-c-b

- 80.
- Dear Sir,
- a. We are aware that other students are being notified as to their status, and we would greatly appreciate knowing Mike's status so that we can plan accordingly.
 - b. We have great respect for the teachers and the school's program and reputation, and we think highly of the school's facilities.
 - c. We were informed in November 2024 that our son was placed on a waiting list.
 - d. Thus, we have encouraged Mike to pursue his dreams and aspirations at your school.
 - e. The purpose of this letter is to inquire as to the status of Mike Marston's application for admission to your school.
 - f. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we look forward to your positive reply.
- Yours faithfully,
- A. e-c-b-d-a-f B. c-d-a-c-b-f C. a-e-c-d-b-f D. a-c-e-b-d-f

Question 81-85. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means exactly the same as the sentence printed before it. (0.5 point)

81. It seems that Mỹ Linh impressed the judges of Miss Sea Island Vietnam 2025.

→ Mỹ Linh appears

82. He hurried to the hospital as soon as he received the message.

→ No sooner

83. It is more than probable that they will not attend the opening ceremony.

→ There is every

84. Despite difficulties there may be, I promise to help her out.

→ Against

85. My mother doesn't approve of my going out so late at night.

→ My mother takes

Question 86-90. Use the word given in brackets and other words to complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first. You must use between THREE and SIX words. Do not change the word given in brackets. (0.5 point)

86. Although she was not experienced, she offered to replace Martin.

(STAND)

→ In spite of her for Martin.

87. I'm sure Jack is going to become a famous actor one day.

(MATTER)

→ I think it's only Jack becomes a famous actor.

88. A huge number of people applied for the job.

(FLOOD)

→ There was the job.

89. They rejected our proposal, so we have to start all over again.

(DRAWING)

→ They rejected our proposal, so we have to

90. Despite his disappointment in his daughter, Mr David hid his sadness

(BRAVE)

and told her not to worry.

→ Despite his disappointment in his daughter, Mr David
and told her not to worry.

Paragraph writing (1.0 point)

Write a paragraph of 120 to 150 words about how students benefit from playing folk games in schools.

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