

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE (7.5 points)

Listen to the dialogue about the Boston Marathon and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions. You will hear it twice.

Question 1. The Boston Marathon began in _____.

- A. 1897 B. 1972 C. 1784 D. 1967

Question 2. _____ became the first official female champion in the Boston race.

- A. John Smith B. John McDermott C. Ken Smith D. Kuscsik

Question 3. In 1972, _____ women finished the race.

- A. five B. nine C. seven D. eight

Question 4. The Boston Marathon is held for _____.

- A. only American people B. people around the world
C. people from every part of America. D. only Canadian people

Question 5. Which statement is **NOT TRUE** about the Boston Marathon?

- A. It is held in the USA B. It ends in the center of Boston
C. Runners have to run about 32 km D. Runners have to run through 13 towns

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 6. A. chease B. church C. child D. scheme

Question 7. A. pen B. snow C. need D. pink

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

Question 8. A _____ is the person who decides the winner of a competition or contest.

- A. representative B. judge C. sponsor D. competitor

Question 9. They were _____ to my plight.

- A. sympathetic B. sympathize C. sympathetically D. sympathy

Question 10. Tim _____ to France last year.

- A. goes B. was going C. had gone D. went

Question 11. Mr. Foster hopes _____ to New York by his company.

- A. being transferred B. transferring C. to be transferred D. to transfer

Question 12. If I were you, I _____ for that position.

- A. applied B. will apply C. would have applied D. would apply

Question 13. John _____ her of cheating in the exam.

- A. prevented B. accused C. blamed D. thanked

Question 14. _____ the contest twice, I don't want to try again. Let's give chances to others.

- A. To win B. Having won C. Winning D. Win

Question 15. The father pointed _____ a wad of dollar notes on the table.

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

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word in the following question.

Question 16. One of the problems the population explosion causes to the world is the shortage of food.

- A. quality B. growth C. export D. lack

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete the following exchange.

Question 17. Two students are talking about the volunteer work they have participated in.

Lan: “Do you enjoy the volunteer work?”

Hoa: “Yes. _____.”

- A. I love taking part in the excursion. B. I really like helping people.
C. I love attending the English-speaking club. D. I like going shopping very much.

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.

Developing and maintaining healthy friendships involves give-and-take. Sometimes you're the one giving support, and other times you're on the receiving end. (18) _____ friends know you care about them and appreciate them can help strengthen your bond. It's as (19) _____ for you to be a good friend as it is to surround yourself with good friends. Remember, it's never too late to build new friendships (20) _____ reconnect with old friends. Investing time in making friends and strengthening your friendships can pay off in better health and a (21) _____ outlook for years to come.

- Question 18.** A. Allowing B. Letting C. Telling D. Enabling
Question 19. A. importance B. unimportantly C. importantly D. important
Question 20. A. or B. nor C. so D. but
Question 21. A. worse B. brighter C. gloomier D. smaller

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.

Volunteering can be the experience of a lifetime and for some people it is a life changing experience. Volunteer Bolivia is the international volunteer organization that combines a volunteer service learning experience with a program for an unforgettable intercultural experience. They offer an affordable way for you to experience a foreign country while lending a hand. Their variety of community volunteer positions provide you with the opportunity to make new friends, define a new career, develop new skills, and share your skills with others. Short term volunteers are a **crucial** part of their program allowing you to fulfill the needs of a variety of children's centers scattered around the region. These centers provide services for children. Long term volunteers are those who stay with them more than five months, speak intermediate Spanish, and are specialized volunteers who have an expertise that matches their Bolivian colleague's needs. Many long term volunteers contribute in a collaboratively designed volunteer position such as helping in the office, translating, and working with the Bolivian staff.

If you have a specialized skill, they can place you in your profession. Long term volunteers have also contributed as healthcare workers, physical therapists, graphic designers, by teaching advanced computer skills or in project development.

Question 22. Long term volunteers work as _____.

- A. scientists B. taxi drivers C. professors D. physical therapists

Question 23. The word “**crucial**” in bold can be replaced by _____.

- A. necessary B. sensitive C. complex D. appropriate

Question 24. Which statement is **True** according to the passage?

- A. Volunteers can't work in a foreign country.
- B. Volunteer work is an experience.
- C. There is only one kind of volunteers.
- D. Volunteers are not allowed to make friends.

Question 25. If you take part in Volunteer Bolivia, you have a chance _____.

- A. to earn much more money
- B. to work in your hometown
- C. to define a new career
- D. to study wildlife

II. WRITING (2.5 points)

Combine the two sentences, beginning with the word/ phrase given. Write your answers on your answer sheet.

Question 26. Mary had an unexpected meeting. She couldn't attend my wedding party.

If _____

Question 27. The film star wears dark glasses. He doesn't want anyone to recognize him.

The film star avoids _____

Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the one printed before it. Write your answers on your answer sheet.

Question 28. Paul said to Mary "I'm sorry I gave you the wrong number."

Paul apologized _____

Question 29. The children laughed because of the clown.

The clown made _____

Question 30. The traffic lights went out right after we had begun our walk.

Scarcely _____

THE END