



TC HALIC UNIVERSITY

PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION

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Description: The questions on the exam have been designed to assess the following skills: Reading, Vocabulary, Use of English and Writing.

I. GRAMMAR

A) Choose the correct answer (1 x 5 = 5 points)

1. **On the moon, the astronauts carry oxygen tubes.**
a. had to b. should c. had better d. have to

2. The teacher **attendance when I arrived.**
a. was taken b. was taking c. has taken d. were taking

3. English..... **in most of the countries in the world.**
a. is spoken b. is not speak c. is spoke d. are not spoken

4. **She wishes shethe report yesterday.**
a. finished b. finishes c. will finish d. had finished

5. What about..... **to a club this evening?**
a. to go b. go c. to going d. going

B) Rewrite the sentences using the information in parentheses (1 x 5 = 5 points)

6. There isn't enough flour. I can't make a cake. **(if)**

7. I'm sorry I didn't learn a foreign language **(wish)**

8. Perhaps the management gives us a promotion this year. **(modal)**

9. I cut my finger. I peeled the potatoes. **(while)**

10. The secretary sent a lot of e-mails. **(passive)**

C) Put the verbs in () into their correct tense and from (1 x 5 = 5 points)

11. My parents _____ **(travel)** around Europe since last month. They _____ **(visit)** 4 countries so far.

12. When I closed the door I realized that I _____ **(forget)** my keys inside.

13. Everything is ready. We _____ **(move)** to a new house tomorrow.

14. A: When is your flight?

B: It _____ **(take)** off at 6.30 a.m. tomorrow.

15. Look at the car! It _____ **(crash)**.

II. READING (5 pts)

BODY LANGUAGE

Perhaps the most surprising theory to come out of kinesics, the study of body movement, was suggested by Professor Ray Birdwhistell. He believes that physical appearance is often culturally programmed. In other words, we learn our looks - we are not born with them. A baby has generally unformed facial features, i.e. eyes, mouth, nose and chin. A baby, according to Birdwhistell, learns where to set his features by looking at those around - family and friends. This helps explain why the people of some regions of the United States look so much alike. New Englanders or Southerners have common facial characteristics that cannot be explained by genetics. The exact shape of the mouth is not determined at birth it is learned later. In fact, the final shape of the mouth is not formed until permanent teeth are set. A husband and wife together for a long time often come to look quite alike. We learn our looks from those around us. This is perhaps why in a single country there are areas where people smile more than those in other areas. In the United States, for example, the Southerners smile frequently. In New England they smile less and in the western part of New York State even less. People on Madison Avenue, New York, smile less than those on Peachtree Street in Atlanta, Georgia. Therefore, many Southerners find cities such as New York cold and unfriendly.

A. Mark the statements as True (T) or False (F). (4x1=4 pts)

- 1. Genetics explains why people have common facial characteristics.
- 2. It takes a long time for facial features to take their final shape.
- 3. Men and women who have similar facial features usually get married.
- 4. According to Birdwhistell, a child whose parents are bad-tempered will become a bad-tempered person himself.

B. Circle the correct answer. (1x1=1 pts)

Which of the following best expresses the main idea of the passage?

- a) Birdwhistell can tell what region of the United States a person is from by how much he or she smiles.
- b) Birdwhistell is a leader in the field of kinesics.
- c) Birdwhistell says that our physical appearance is affected by the appearance of people around us.
- d) People who live in the country are friendlier than people who live in heavily populated areas.

III. WRITING (20 pts)

Choose one of these topics and write an essay according to the types given in parenthesis.

Essay Topics

- 1) Educational standards in private schools are usually higher than those in state schools.
(Opinion essay)

- 2) How can we make our city a better place to live?
(An essay suggesting solutions to the problem)

- 3) Being famous. **(For & against essay)**

Keep the following points in mind as you write:

- *Write an interesting introduction
- *Write an introduction relevant to the topic.
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Semester :	Autumn/Spring	Year :	2018
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Total Grade :	50 points	Time :	70 min.
Grading System :	Grammar: 20 points Essay: 20 points Speaking: 10 points	No. of Pages* :	5

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**GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY, PARAGRAPH, COMPLETING SENTENCE
(EACH QUESTION 1 PT)**

1) Many scientists believe that our sanitized surroundings are ---- allergic disorders in children, which have doubled in the last decade.

A) Extracting B) fulfilling C)unifying D) ensuring E) fostering

2) Before they are allowed to be used, all medicines, including vaccines, are ---- tested to assess how safe and effective they are.

A) Incidentally B) hazardously C) thoroughly D) fatally E) offensively

3) In non-literate societies, valuable information about the past is often enshrined in oral tradition – poems, hymns or sayings ---- from generation to generation by word of mouth.

A) taken off B) handed down C) thrown up D) kept off E) rooted out

4) In some countries, such as Brazil and Russia, codes have been put in place to promote ---- logging of forest ecosystems.

A) applicable B) penetrable C) notable D)sustainable E) provable

5) UNICEF is deeply committed to creating a world in which all children, regardless of their gender or socioeconomic background, have ---- to free, compulsory and quality education.

A) access B) dedication C)insight D) addiction E) tendency

6) ---- the types of individuals it seeks to attract, an organization ---- to consider what methods to use to reach them.

A) To have established / could need B) Having established / needs

C) Establishing / had needed D) Established / needed

E) Being established / will need

7) China's rapid growth ---- trade is seen as a plus for the Southeast Asian nations because it helps to spur development ---- the region.

A) of / without B) by / about C) upon / over D)at / under E)in / across

8) At the end of the First World War, the leaders of victorious countries gathered at Versailles, and there, they ---- to decide what penalties Germany, Austria and other allies ----.

A) tried / would have to pay

B) had tried / must have paid

C) were trying / were paying

- D) used to try / might have paid
- E) could try / should have paid

9) ---- lead was widely known to be dangerous, by the early years of the 20th century, it could be found in all manners of consumer products.

- A) Since
- B) Once
- C) Only when
- D) Even though
- E) Given that

10) ---- deriving two-thirds of its power supply from fossil fuels, power producers in India cannot get enough pipeline space to distribute natural gas.

- A) Despite
- B) Besides
- C) As a result of
- D) By means of
- E) Rather than

PARAGRAPH

Cities, large and small, are at the heart of a fast changing global economy – they are a cause of, and a response to world economic growth. Many urban areas are growing (11)---- their rural hinterlands are depressed, which forces impoverished rural people to move to the cities in search of work. These newcomers often end up not (12)---- the opportunities they are looking for, so they become part of the urban poor.

(13)---- arrival to the city, they often encounter lack of housing and infrastructure services. To (14)---- the lack of available homes, newcomers often set up shelters on the city outskirts, usually on public-owned land. They often live without electricity, running water, a sewerage system, roads and other urban services. (15)---- dealing with poor sanitation and pollution from dirty cooking fuels and primitive stoves, they are exposed to modern environmental hazards, such as urban air pollution, exhaust fumes and industrial pollution.

11)

- A) Unless
- B) in case
- C) so that
- D) whenever
- E) because

12)

A) to find B) finding C) to have found D) being found E) to be found

13)

A) About B) To C) For D) Upon E) By

14)

A) cut down on B) go in for C) turn back on D) fall behind with E) make up for

15)

A) Despite B) Owing to C) For the sake of D) In addition to E) Unlike

16) In order to make the first vessels to cross stretches of water, ----.

- A) ancient civilizations depended heavily on these for their survival and expansion
- B) the Greeks brought the art of rowing to a level of perfection that has never been surpassed
- C) early attempts were often unique to the societies that originated them
- D) people had already developed them for such purposes as fishing and transporting goods
- E) early humans employed materials ranging from animal skins to small pieces of timber

17) Despite the political upheavals in the Arab world, ----.

- A) the Middle East is gaining ground to become one of the world's popular tourist destinations
- B) business boom, in places like Dubai and Abu Dhabi, has had little impact on the economies

- C) the airlines are rapidly expanding their routes in Europe and Asia
- D) emphasis on new policies is required to overcome recession in these countries
- E) stability, strong economic growth and value for money are the key factors of economic mobility

18) ----, you can work on extinguishing any undesirable behaviours.

- A) Unless you proceed to the interviewer's office for your interview
- B) Although previous work experience is sought by almost all employers nowadays
- C) Once you are able to see yourself interacting with others
- D) Whereas there is much to be learned about human nature in general
- E) Just as any communicative event requires at least one person to be around

19) While several other minerals are needed for muscle function, ----.

- A) knowledge of your body and its functions can be a great ally in health matters
- B) most of the calories in the food we eat are used by our muscles
- C) the contours of the body alter as the muscles strengthen
- D) exercise is a vital ingredient for keeping the human body in good health
- E) continuous intake of calcium helps to maintain a healthy skeleton

20) Whereas there are undoubted social benefits to increasing home ownership, ----.

- A) the mortgage companies that finance home buyers can go bankrupt
- B) there are some economic problems associated with it
- C) more and more people prefer to buy homes than rent
- D) the existing laws make it financially more attractive to purchase
- E) incentives to rent houses still remain at historically low levels

WRITING (20 pts)

Essay should be at least 200 words. Please use the back of the paper for your essay.

Choose one of these topics and write an essay.

- 1) Today, more and more
students are deciding to move to a different country for higher education. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages.
- 2) Some universities offers
online courses for students. Do you think this is positive or negative development for students?
- 3) Some people say it is okay to
use animals for experiments, others say it is not good to exploit them. Discuss both

points of view and give your opinion.

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