

Consolidation 1

Units 1 – 4

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

a) Listen to the talk about an institute for special education and answer the questions.

1. When was the school founded?
2. How old are the students of this school?
3. Are there any weekly boarders in this school?


b) You will hear short conversations between two people. After each conversation, you will hear a question about it. After you hear the question, read the four possible answers and check (✓) the best one.

1. A. The computer room is very crowded.
B. Computer science has been applied to many fields.
C. Too many people are studying computer science today.
D. Computer science is developing very quickly.
2. A. She did her homework.
B. She played computer games.
C. She did her housework.
D. She bought computer games.
3. A. The computer needs to be replaced.
B. The woman should check the plug.
C. The woman should use the printer at work.
D. The woman doesn't know how to use the printer.
4. A. Deaf-mute kids are very skillful.
B. He did not believe what the woman said.
C. Deaf-mute kids can't do embroidery.
D. Deaf-mute kids can't make anything.

5. A. Be a teacher.
- B. Study business.
- C. Work part-time.
- D. Own a big store.

VOCABULARY

a) Write the proper form of each word in parentheses in the following exchanges.

 Example

A: Does your grandmother help you with the housework?

B: Yes. She is very supportive to me during my parents' absence.
(support)

1. A: Could Ann enter a university last September?
B: No, she couldn't. She studied very hard last year, but she couldn't gain _____ to any university. (admit)
2. A: My younger brother can't express himself very well in writing.
B: I think young boys and girls have to learn to write _____. (effect)
3. A: Dr. Brown was _____ with an award for his excellent work in the medical profession. (honor)
B: I think he deserves the honor.
4. A: Dick performed very well in the speaking contest, and he was _____ first prize. (award)
B: Really? I'm glad to hear that.
5. My brother has just graduated from university. He wants a job with good chances of _____. (promote)
6. A: Is this a new kind of medicine to cure headaches?
B: Yes. It has been used _____ recently. (routine)
7. A: Yesterday the city's authorities laid the _____ stone of a new university in our city. (found)
B: That's great!

8. A: What school does your younger brother go to?

B: He goes to a school for _____ children. He's a very intelligent boy. (*gift*)

9. A: What should I write in these blanks?

B: Write your name, age, and _____. (*occupy*)

10. A: How much is the _____ fee for this course, miss? (*register*)

B: US\$ 80.

b) Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence or exchange.

11. A: What do you think about teamwork?

B: Well, teamwork helps students _____ good results in their schoolwork.

A. achieve

B. perform

C. perfect

D. receive

12. A: Lan, Minh, and Hanh often work together in a team.

B: I'm not surprised. I know the three of them have the same _____.

A. interaction

B. achievement

C. learning strategy

D. interest

13. A: I can see that you're not very good at history and literature.

B: You're right. I like _____ sciences, such as physics and biology, better.

A. social

B. natural

C. physical

D. modern

14. A: What is the "process of _____"?

B: Well, it involves the heating of a liquid, usually milk, in order to kill harmful bacteria.

A. research

B. pasteurization

C. completion

D. elimination

15. A: Is your _____ against rabies up-to-date?

B: Yes. I got it two weeks ago.

- A. protection
C. treatment
- B. cure
D. vaccination
16. A: Does that company give your father an annual _____?
B: Yes. About four hundred dollars.
- A. promotion
C. addition
- B. fund
D. bonus
17. A: Does Mr. Tan travel to Ho Chi Minh City to work every day?
B: Yes. He takes a _____ bus.
- A. transportation
C. passenger
- B. commuter
D. daily
18. A: Are there schools for people with _____?
B: Yes. These people can attend institutions that help them lead a normal life.
- A. disabilities
C. poor health
- B. poor performance
D. slow learning
19. My father formed some _____ friendships when he was in high school.
- A. long
C. long time
- B. lasting
D. hard
20. Whenever my father travels by plane, he buys some _____ goods at the airport.
- A. free of charge
C. duty-free
- B. tax-free
D. free of duty

GRAMMAR AND STRUCTURE

a) Put the verbs in parentheses into the past simple, present perfect, or past perfect.

1. A: You ever _____ (hear) of Nelson Mandela?
B: Yes. He _____ (become) the first black president of South Africa in 1994.

2. A: Do you know who _____ (invent) the process of pasteurization?

B: Yes. The inventor _____ (be) Louis Pasteur. Also, he _____ (develop) vaccines for several diseases including rabies.

3. A: When Pasteur _____ (appoint) Professor of Chemistry?

B: After he _____ (receive) a doctor of science degree in 1847.

4. A: When the Curies _____ (announce) their discovery of the two new elements: radium and polonium?

B: In 1898. They finally _____ (obtain) radium from a rock called pitchblende.

5. A: Who _____ (help) Helen Keller break through her world of silence?

B: It _____ (be) Ms. Sullivan, a dedicated and loving teacher.

6. A: At what age Helen Keller _____ (master) Braille as well as the manual alphabet?

B: By the age of 10.

7. What programs _____ (develop) in special schools to help blind students read?

8. A: Hi! I _____ (not see) you for ages.

B: Um. It must be about two months since we last _____ (meet).

9. A: Where you _____ (go) during your last vacation?

B: I _____ (go) to Hue. You ever _____ (be) there before?

10. A: I have been to Ha Noi three times.

B: Really? This is the first time I _____ (come) to Ha Noi.
It's all new to me.

b) Put the verbs in parentheses into the correct form (-ing form or to + base form).

11. A: Phew! I'm very tired of my heavy work load.

B: You should stop _____ (work) so hard; or else, you'll get sick soon.

12. A: What do you usually do in your free time?
B: I enjoy _____ (read) novels.
13. A: I work out at the gym every day, trying _____ (keep) fit.
B: I wish I could do some physical exercise as you do.
14. A: Which outdoor activities do you like best?
B: I like _____ (dance and sing) around the campfire.
15. A: How about _____ (play) tennis?
B: I'm not interested in this kind of sport because I can't afford _____ (buy) expensive tennis rackets.
16. A: There's a good movie on at the Rex.
B: You know, I'm not keen on _____ (go) to the movies nowadays.
17. A: Remember _____ (come) to the party tomorrow.
B: Yes, I will.
18. A: Yesterday I forgot _____ (lock) the door when I went out.
B: Really? Did anyone break into your house and steal anything?
A: Luckily, no one broke in.
19. A: My parents plan _____ (take) a trip to Da Lat this summer vacation.
B: Are you going with them?
20. A: Do you consider _____ (buy) life insurance?
B: Yes. I'm going to buy one next month.

READING

Read the text and do the tasks that follow.

A Special Education Teacher

I am an ordinary teacher like many others, but my students are those with severe learning difficulties – some have speech or hearing impairments, while some others have mental problems. There are 15

children in my class, aged between 10 and 12. The teaching team consists of me and two assistants.

Just like any child, my students are good at one thing and poor at another. If you ask for a yellow block, and they'll give you a yellow block, then you can be moved to tears. It seems a very simple task to a 5-year-old kid, but it is really a huge achievement for my children. Looking after each other, being able to use the phone, and being able to buy a loaf of bread – these can only be done after you have been working with them for years.

Every day, I work with my lovely students. We have some specialized equipment such as audiotapes and videotapes to assist their learning. There are always better facilities to wish for, such as a computer with special educational software programs. Our school is not rich, but many others have got less than what we have, so I can't complain. I believe good teachers can do a great deal with very little.

Like many other special education teachers, I am constantly under stress due to heavy work loads. Some of my colleagues gave up and found other jobs, but I won't. I enjoy working with students with disabilities – nothing can compete with the joy I have when my children can perform a difficult task.

a) The following statements can be true (T) or false (F). Check (✓) the appropriate boxes. Then correct the false statements.

	T	F
1. The writer's students can do simple tasks easily.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. At this special school, students learn basic skills for survival.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. This school has a lot of specialized facilities, including a computer.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. A special education teacher has to work very hard.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Many special education teachers are under stress.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. The writer will find another job although he likes his work.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

b) Answer the following questions.

1. What are some examples of specialized equipment to help the children learn better?
2. What is the *huge achievement* of this teacher's students?
3. What does *many others* (paragraph 1) refer to?
4. What does *many others* (paragraph 3) refer to?

WRITING

Work with a partner. Write a summary based on the text below. Be sure to include the important facts contained in the text.

A Man Loving Books

A young man hurried into his town library. He went up to one of the old librarians and said to her eagerly, "Do you remember that you persuaded me to borrow a book about Greek history a week ago?"

"Yes, that's right," answered the librarian.

"Do you remember the title of the book?" the young man asked. The librarian felt very proud because she was always trying to get young people to take out books on Greek history, and she rarely found one who was willing to accept her suggestions.

"Yes," she answered. "Do you want to take it out again? Did you think that it was so interesting?"

"No, of course not," said the young man, "but when I was taking it home, I met a girl on the bus, and I wrote her telephone number in the book. I want to telephone her, so please may I look at the book again?"