

Consolidation 2

Units 5 – 8

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

a) Listen to the talk about the Internet and then complete the following statements.

1. More than _____ people use the Internet.
2. They can use the Internet for transferring data, _____, socializing with other computer users, and sending e-mails.
3. Whenever you are using one of the on-line services such as e-mail or the _____, you are in cyberspace.
4. Computer users can _____ through a network.
5. A network uses phone lines, _____, and fiberoptic lines.

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. A journalist.
B. A secretary.
C. A teacher.
D. A student.
2. A. Swimming, fencing, hiking.
B. Cycling, hiking, swimming.
C. Shooting, swimming, cycling.
D. Fishing, shooting, hiking.
3. A. She didn't know that they had changed plans.
B. Their change in plans didn't affect her.
C. She didn't tell them when she changed plans.
D. She didn't know that they had changed the schedule of the plans.

4. A. The woman hasn't seen the movie.
B. The movie was dull.
C. The woman didn't like the movie.
D. The woman saw the movie and found it funny.
5. A. 30.
B. 13.
C. 12.
D. 42.

VOCABULARY

a) Choose the word or phrase from the box that could best complete each sentence or exchange.

gear	instructions	browse the Web	thrilling
operate	temporary	excursion	documentary
socialize	commercials		

1. A : Do you often _____?
B: Yes. Looking for information on a computer is my favorite pastime.
2. A: I have a terrible headache. Can I use this medicine?
B: You should read the _____ carefully before you use it.
3. A: Could you show me how to _____ this blood pressure monitor?
B: Well, fit this cuff round the arm, then press this button.
4. A: Should we bring some cooking _____ on our backpacking trip next week?
B: I think we should. We'll have to cook some food on the way.
5. A: We went hiking in the mountains last weekend.
B: I guess it was a(n) _____ experience.

6. *Tour guide:* Before you leave Ho Chi Minh City, you'll go on a(n) _____ to Lai Thieu to enjoy some tropical fruit.

Tourists: That would be very exciting!

7. *A:* Where did your brother work last summer?

B: He had a(n) _____ job in an advertising company.

8. *A:* What do you often watch on TV?

B: Well, _____ movies with interesting factual reports. These have always attracted me.

9. *A:* My younger brother and sister are often fascinated by colorful _____ on TV.

B: And children often ask their parents to buy things advertised on TV, you know.

10. *A:* People living in a big city don't _____ with their neighbors as much as those who live in the countryside.

B: Well, I agree with you. Life in a big city is rather impersonal.

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

11. *A:* What is this device used for?

B: Well, it is used for the _____ of cholesterol levels in blood.

A. lightening

B. examination

C. measurement

D. treatment

12. With this microwave oven, it's _____ to heat food.

A. useful

B. warm

C. time-consuming

D. convenient

13. *A:* The fire in our neighborhood last night burned down about twenty houses.

B: It's _____ that the fire department was not informed in time.

A. regrettable

B. inconvenient

C. alarming

D. unsuited

14. A: How can I get to Lam's house from here?
B: Go along this street and turn right at the second junction, then walk about 300 m. Or, if you want to save time, take a _____ through this alley.
- A. shortened way B. short road
C. shortening street D. shortcut
15. A: It's 7:00 p.m. Why don't we watch the _____ on TV?
B: Yes. Let's do that. I'm very interested in world's news.
- A. newscast B. movie
C. commercial D. documentary
16. Nowadays teachers can pass on knowledge to students in more effective ways. In fact, with the help of the computer, they have a _____ approach to teaching.
- A. multiple-choice B. multimedia
C. multilingual D. multiplication
17. A: This restaurant is very crowded.
B: Well, it offers many specialties. People from _____ come here to eat, especially on holidays.
- A. a variety of groups B. all walks of life
C. society D. all parts
18. A: Do your older brothers and sisters always come to your parents' home on New Year's Eve?
B: Yes. And we all enjoy the _____ atmosphere of this occasion.
- A. heated B. cool and fresh
C. cozy D. convenient
19. A: Does Mr. Ba bring his farm _____ to the local market every day?
B: No. He comes to the market three times a week.
- A. produce B. productivity
C. production D. harvest

20. A: What do you think about people who live in rural _____?

B: Well, I think most of them are friendly and hospitable.

A. districts

B. neighborhoods

C. regions

D. communities

GRAMMAR AND STRUCTURE

a) Write the correct form of the verbs in parentheses in the following sentences or exchanges.

1. A: Are you going to Ann's birthday party this weekend?

B: *I haven't been invited* (not invited) yet.

2. A: My motorcycle broke down many days ago.

B: _____ (it / repair) yet?

3. There used to be a small market in this place, but it _____ (move) to another place last month.

4. A: _____ (they / use) to build their houses with mud and straw?

B: Yes, but most of the houses here are now built of brick.

5. A: It seems that you work harder than you used to.

B: You're right. I _____ (not use) to work long hours two years ago.

6. A: Do you plan to go to Ha Noi by plane?

B: I _____ (not fly). A friend of mine will take me to Ha Noi in his car.

7. A: It's hot in here. Could you give me a glass of water?

B: I _____ (get) you one.

8. A: Your parents wanted to buy a new house. _____ (they / buy) one yet?

B: The house they wanted to buy _____ (sell).

b) Complete the sentences to report what someone said.

9. "You should have a sense of fair play in sports."
Our teacher advised us to have a sense of fair play in sports.
10. "Would you like to go out to dinner with us?"
They invited me _____.
11. "I'm sorry for not going to class yesterday."
The student _____.
12. "I'll help you with the homework if you have trouble with it," my friend said to me.
My friend _____.
13. "Why don't we go camping on our next vacation?"
Minh _____.
14. "I'm sorry I can't lend you my dictionary. I need it right now," Lan said to me.
Lan refused _____.

c) Complete the exchanges with the prompts in parentheses.

15. A: Why did they cancel their camping trip? (heavy rain)
B: Because of the heavy rain. / Because it rained heavily.
16. A: This computer isn't good. Why did you buy it? (cheap)
B: _____.
17. A: Why doesn't your mother travel much? (poor health).
B: _____.
18. A: Why do you like these people? (hospitality)
B: _____.
19. A: Why didn't Lam play for his soccer team last week?
(injured legs)
B: _____.
20. A: Why are there so many traffic jams here? (narrow road)
B: _____.

READING

Read the text and do the tasks that follow.

Cell Phones

Cell phones have been popular in Japan since the early 1990s, but it was not until 1999 that their use really took off. The age of cell phones has emerged, but with it come problems.

Cell phones are used on buses and trains, in restaurants, and in all areas of life. They cause problems when they ring during meetings, concerts, weddings, or even funerals. What's more, people speak loudly in public, and students read and text messages during lessons. More seriously, when a cell phone is used near a person using a pacemaker to regulate his heartbeat, its radio waves may interfere with the functioning of the pacemaker.

Now, something is being done to solve these problems. In many places, new technology is being used to block cell phone calls. Airline passengers are requested to stop using cell phones while on board. Concert halls ask their audience to switch their phones to the silent mode. However, phone users fear that if they do not answer their phones, they will lose valuable business opportunities. That's why many do not turn off their phones even when they are asked to.

a) *The following statements can be true (T), false (F), or not mentioned in the text (NI). Check (✓) the appropriate boxes. Then correct the false statements.*

	T	F	NI
1. Cell phones have been popular in Japan since 1999.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. You can play games on cell phones.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Some cell phones can receive and send e-mails.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Cell phones can be dangerous for some people's health.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Using a cell phone in public is considered rude.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. There are no ways to interfere with cell phone calls.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. People don't always switch off their cell phones when they are asked to.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

b) Find in the text words or expressions with the following meanings.

8. became successful or popular very fast _____
9. control, adjust _____
10. prevent something from happening _____
11. where you can listen to music or songs _____
12. an electronic device to help one's heart
beat regularly _____

WRITING

Writing a Confirmation Letter

You have just received a letter of invitation from your friend. He / She wants you to confirm that you can join the picnic next Saturday and agree on departure time (6:30 a.m.).

Now write a letter of confirmation to him / her.