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ENGLISH PLACEMENT EXAM

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This exam consists of four sections that include Listening, Reading, Grammar, and Writing.

PART I: LISTENING (30 PTS.)

You will listen to **two** conversations and **one** lecture. Listen and choose the **best** option for the questions. You will listen to each part **TWICE**, with a **15-second** interval in between. You have **1 minute** before and after each listening to read the questions and check your answers.

LISTENING I (4 x 1 = 4 pts.)

1. Pamela _____.

- a) is a college student
- b) has interesting classmates
- c) gets up at 5 o'clock
- d) is usually late for her classes

2. What time does Kiko start work?

- a) At 5 o'clock
- b) At quarter to 7
- c) At quarter past 7
- d) At 8 o'clock

3. It takes two and a half hours for Kiko to get to work because _____.

- a) his apartment is in the city center
- b) the traffic is terrible
- c) he leaves the house late
- d) his work is outside the city center

4. Which sentence is **TRUE** about Pamela?

- a) She works until half past 6.
- b) Her routine is difficult.
- c) She arrives home late.
- d) Her classes finish at 3 o'clock.

LISTENING II (4 x 2 = 8 pts.)

5. The speakers will talk about _____.

- a) a very uncommon park in the city of Paris
- b) an organization in a very crowded city
- c) busy cities and unusual parks
- d) city scenes on the crowded streets of Paris

6. Jardin Nomade is special because it is _____.

- a) very small
- b) an empty land
- c) very noisy
- d) full of flowers

7. Which of the following is **TRUE** about Jardin Nomade?

- a) People from different cities use it.
- b) Neighbors meet each other there.
- c) There are many gardens for government officials.
- d) People cook and serve dinner in it for customers.

8. The interviewer will most probably _____.

- a) play with the kids and talk to the neighbors
- b) start working for this organization
- c) create a community garden in his neighborhood
- d) come back to the place in the springtime

LISTENING III (6 x 3 = 18 pts.)

9. Which of the following is **TRUE** about the experiment?

- a) The experiment included four participants.
- b) The children waited with the researchers.
- c) The reward of the test was two marshmallows.
- d) The children were forbidden to eat the marshmallow.

10. The lecturer thinks 15 minutes can be a long time because _____.

- a) marshmallows are too attractive for the children
- b) the researchers want to finish the test quickly
- c) the children may not want to sit alone
- d) the room may be boring for the children

11. The result of the test showed that most of the children _____.

- a) were patient enough for the reward
- b) couldn't understand the reward system
- c) couldn't resist the attraction
- d) waited for a while to eat the marshmallow

12. Some years later, the children who could wait and did not eat the marshmallow _____.

- a) achieved more in their lives
- b) became unsuccessful because they didn't take action
- c) were much the same as others
- d) turned out to be healthier as they avoided sugar

13. Which one of the following is **NOT** a technique used by the successful children in the test?

- a) Avoiding the smell of the marshmallow
- b) Looking away from the marshmallow
- c) Imagining the marshmallow is not real
- d) Covering their eyes with their hands

14. Which one of the following is mentioned as a reward for waiting?

- a) Having more time to watch TV
- b) Spending money without thinking
- c) Taking better decisions
- d) Getting a job in a short time

PART II: READING (30 PTS.)

For **Questions 15-31**, read the texts and choose the **best option**.

TEXT I (5 x 1 = 5 pts.)

1 Cappadocia is a special place in Türkiye. It's mainly famous for its unusual rocks and caves. These rocks look like fairy chimneys, and people made homes and churches in them for a long time.

2 One exciting thing to do in Cappadocia is riding a hot air balloon. You can see the beautiful landscape from high up in the sky. It's like a dream! Cappadocia is also known for its delicious food. You can try local dishes like kebabs and baklava. Yum! The people in Cappadocia are friendly and they love to tell you about their history and culture. You can buy special souvenirs, like carpets and ceramics, to remember your visit. In Cappadocia, you can explore the ancient underground cities. People used **them** to hide from their enemies a long time ago.

3 Cappadocia is a magical place with a lot to see and do. If you visit Türkiye, don't miss it!

15. What is the main topic of the text?

- a) The usual way of life for people in Cappadocia
- b) The history and geography of Cappadocia
- c) Interesting things to see and do in Cappadocia
- d) Types of special souvenirs in Cappadocia

16. Cappadocia is mostly known for its _____.

- a) churches
- b) local dishes
- c) rocks and caves
- d) carpets and ceramics

17. The writer does **NOT** talk about _____.

- a) visiting underground cities
- b) riding hot air balloons
- c) eating tasty foods
- d) making your own ceramics

18. People of Cappadocia _____.

- a) do not sell carpets
- b) are kind to other people
- c) do not talk about history
- d) are hiding from their enemies

19. What does '**them**' in paragraph 2 refer to?

- a) enemies
- b) carpets and ceramics
- c) special souvenirs
- d) ancient underground cities

TEXT II (6 x 1.5 = 9 pts.)

1 In March 2015, a British man went to a show in London. He liked the music and he began to dance. Because he was a large man, other people laughed at him and took photos of him. When the man saw their reaction, he stopped dancing and looked sad.

2 A few days later, the photos appeared on a well-known internet forum. There were comments about the man's dancing and some of the comments were not nice. They were really **hostile**. The man was a victim of cyberbullying. But that wasn't the end of the story; it was only the beginning.

3 A group of people on social media, including an American writer called Cassandra Fairbanks, were angry about the cyberbullying. They wanted to help the man. They decided to have a huge party for him in California, but they didn't know who he was! It quickly became a viral story and Twitter users started a hashtag campaign: #FindDancingMan! After a day, they found him. His name was Sean O'Brien. He was originally from Liverpool but lived in London.

4 Cassandra and her friends on social media began to organize the party for Sean in Los Angeles. They also set up an online fundraising page to pay for Sean's ticket to the USA. This quickly raised more than \$20,000. By this time, the story of 'Dancing Man' was well known.

5 The party took place at a nightclub in Hollywood. About 1,000 people were there and they danced to the music from celebrity DJ Moby. Sean appeared on *Today* before the party. **It** is one of the most popular shows on American TV. So in the end, a story about cyberbullying became a story about how being kind can change things positively.

20. What is the main topic of the text?

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| a) Different uses of social media | c) The importance of music |
| b) The power of kindness | d) Ways of helping other people |

21. Sean looked sad because _____.

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| a) some people made fun of him | c) he didn't like the music at the show |
| b) other people stopped dancing | d) he wasn't fit enough to dance |

22. Cassandra and her friends organized a party to _____.

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| a) collect money for Sean's plane ticket | c) dance and have fun all together |
| b) make Sean a well-known person | d) help Sean against cyberbullying |

23. Which of the following is **NOT TRUE according to the text?**

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| a) Sean was found thanks to the Twitter campaign. | c) Nobody knew 'the dancing man' before the party took place. |
| b) Sean paid no money for his plane ticket to America. | d) People could also have a chance to watch Sean on TV. |

24. What does 'hostile' in paragraph 2 mean?

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| a) friendly | b) honest | c) unreal | d) unkind |
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25. What does 'it' in paragraph 5 refer to?

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| a) <i>Today</i> | b) party | c) nightclub | d) story |
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TEXT III

1 Rats prefer sugar over some other types of food. They work hard and even put up with electric shocks to get it. Similarly, humans want to eat most processed foods. Recent studies suggest that eating these foods every day can change the brain and cause addiction. However, people still debate if food can really be addictive. Some argue that processed food may make you do a lot of things, but it doesn't always change your mood, which is an important sign of addiction.

2 Food addiction is complex because it includes various nutrients. Some researchers suggest that a mix of carbohydrates and fats in large amounts can affect the brain's reward system. However, there is no clear evidence. The Yale Food Addiction Scale was created in 2009 to study the impact. A 2022 meta-analysis revealed that 20% of adults may have a food addiction. They display behaviors such as cravings or continue eating despite negative consequences.

3 Critics say that people do not get addicted to things essential for life such as food. However, highly processed foods are not the same as natural foods. They are made in labs to have a certain taste, feel, and smell. People don't lose control over natural foods like beans. The important thing might be how much you eat and how quickly your body absorbs it. On the other hand, ultra-processed snacks often have both sugar and fat, which could increase **their** addictive properties.

4 In a 2023 study, researchers found that high-fat, high-sugar snacks change how our brains work and can make ultra-processed foods seem addictive. These foods can release dopamine, similar to some other addictive substances. Some evidence suggests that highly processed foods can meet the criteria for addiction. Some people argue that it's better to consider them addictive than to **overlook** the harm they can do to our health.

5 In conclusion, the debate continues, but there's increasing evidence suggesting that highly processed foods may indeed have addictive properties and these could affect the brain's reward system.

26. The text mainly discusses _____ . (3 pts.)

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| a) whether processed foods are addictive or not | c) what changes the human brain's reward system |
| b) how to reduce the impact of processed foods | d) why some research is done on addictions |

27. The writer mentions "changing moods" in paragraph 1 because _____ . (3 pts.)

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| a) some behaviors create mood changes | c) they are necessary to call something addictive |
| b) people's moods change after eating processed foods | d) they can be a sign of eating too much |

28. The Yale Food Addiction scale _____ . (3 pts.)

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| a) was developed by some meta-analysis researchers in 2022 | c) helped researchers to produce a mix of carbohydrates and fats |
| b) collected evidence on the consumption of large doses of fat | d) was used to see the effect of nutrients on the brain's reward system |

29. In paragraph 3, the writer is trying to _____ . (3 pts.)

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| a) compare natural foods and highly-processed foods | c) explain how much sugar to consume |
| b) exemplify the effects of food addiction | d) show the ingredients of highly-processed foods |

30. What does "their" in paragraph 3 refer to? (2 pts.)

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| a) sugar and fat | c) beans |
| b) natural foods | d) ultra-processed snacks |

31. What does "overlook" in paragraph 4 mean? (2 pts.)

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| a) ignore | b) confirm | c) preserve | d) assess |
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PART III: USE OF LANGUAGE (20 PTS.)

For **Questions 32-45**, choose the **best** option. (8.75 pts.)

- 32. Maria _____ her breakfast at 9 o'clock every day. She doesn't _____ the house without breakfast. (0.5 pts.)**
a) has / leave
b) have / leaves
c) is having / leaving
d) had / left
- 33. Yesterday, I _____ to the park with my friends, and we _____ a picnic. (0.5 pts.)**
a) went / have
b) go / had
c) go / have
d) went / had
- 34. My son likes ice-cream, but _____ favorite dessert is baklava. (0.5 pts.)**
a) his
b) her
c) their
d) its
- 35. I love our garden. _____ a beautiful pool with lots of flowers around it. (0.5 pts.)**
a) There are
b) There is
c) That is
d) They are
- 36. The meeting started _____ the afternoon and finished _____ night. (0.5 pts.)**
a) at / in
b) on / to
c) in / at
d) to / on
- 37. My wife and I think _____ cats are cute. We adopted _____ cat last month, and now _____ cat is a member of our family. (0.5 pts.)**
a) the / a / Ø
b) Ø / the / a
c) Ø / a / the
d) the / Ø / a
- 38. We have _____ eggs in the fridge, but I think we need more for tomorrow morning. (0.5 pts.)**
a) a few
b) a little
c) any
d) much
- 39. Climbers have a lot of difficulties when they are close to the summit because the weather conditions are _____ the lower parts. (0.75 pts.)**
a) challenging
b) as challenging as
c) more challenging than
d) the most challenging
- 40. It's still early, so we _____ hurry to go to the cinema. Let's eat some ice-cream before the movie. (0.75 pts.)**
a) mustn't
b) don't have to
c) can't
d) couldn't
- 41. I couldn't understand the details of the homework because some students _____ loudly, and I couldn't hear the teacher. (0.75 pts.)**
a) were speaking
b) are speaking
c) have spoken
d) speak
- 42. The project manager looks happy with our work as we _____ a lot of progress since last week. (0.75 pts.)**
a) made
b) have made
c) make
d) were making

43. I was cooking dinner _____ I heard an explosion outside and I ran out immediately. Fortunately, I turned off the stove _____ I left. (0.75 pts.)

- a) while / when
- b) when / before
- c) before / while
- d) after / before

44. Mary is frightened of heights, so she _____ definitely stay away from skydiving. Otherwise, she would be terrified. (0.75 pts.)

- a) may
- b) may not
- c) should
- d) shouldn't

45. If I _____ the job there, my friends and I _____ it with a party because I really want to work there. (0.75 pts.)

- a) will get / will celebrate
- b) get / celebrate
- c) get / will celebrate
- d) will get / celebrate

For **Questions 46-52**, choose the **best** option to complete the following paragraph. (7 x 1 = 7 pts.)

Climate change is one of the hot topics these days. In recent years, more and more people (46) _____ concerned about it. Climate change simply means that our planet (47) _____ hotter, and this has been causing problems like more extreme weather and changes in nature. Thus, people need to know the importance of (48) _____ cleaner and more sustainable energy sources such as solar panels and wind turbines. They let people (49) _____ pollution to a great extent. With these energy sources, they use less fossil fuel, (50) _____ is very harmful for the environment. With this in mind, authorities (51) _____ decide on the type of energy sources should take the pros and cons into consideration. This is because our lives (52) _____ considerably by these decisions.

- 46. a) have become b) become c) became d) will become
- 47. a) got b) is getting c) will be getting d) was getting
- 48. a) used b) to use c) use d) using
- 49. a) reduced b) to reduce c) reduce d) reducing
- 50. a) who b) where c) when d) which
- 51. a) whose b) who c) when d) whom
- 52. a) influence b) are influenced c) are influencing d) have influenced

For **Question 53**, read the situation and choose the **best** option. (1.25 pts.)

53. You are at a friend's house, and they offer you a piece of homemade pie for dessert. However, you are on a strict diet. To kindly decline your friend's offer, you say;

- a) Wow, it looks delicious. I can't wait to taste it.
- b) You are such an amazing baker. Everybody should taste this.
- c) Thank you but I'll have to pass on the pie this time.
- d) Don't you know I'm on a diet. I can't believe you did this.

For **Questions 54 and 55**, read the dialogues and choose the **best** option to complete them. (2 x 1.5 = 3 pts.)

54. **Joel:** Hey, did you watch the amazing game last night?

Damien: Yeah, I did. Our team played really well. It was so exciting.

Joel: _____.

Damien: Yeah, wasn't it? Can't wait for the next match.

- a) Definitely! Let's watch the next one together.
- b) Absolutely! That last-minute goal was amazing.
- c) I think they could have played better.
- d) The next match was definitely much better.

55. **Fred:** Have you decided where to go for your summer holiday?

Sally: _____.

Fred: I'm planning to visit the mountains. I love hiking and the cool, fresh air.

Sally: Sounds great! We can share our travel stories when we get back.

- a) I think I won't be able to go on a holiday this year.
- b) Why don't we go to the same place together?
- c) Not yet. Do you have any suggestions for me?
- d) I'm thinking about going to the beach. How about you?

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ANSWER KEY

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6. a	7. b	8. d	9. c	10. a
11. c	12. a	13. a	14. c	15. c
16. c	17. d	18. b	19. d	20. b
21. a	22. d	23. c	24. d	25. a
26. a	27. c	28. d	29. a	30. d
31. a	32. a	33. d	34. a	35. b
36. c	37. c	38. a	39. c	40. b
41. a	42. b	43. b	44. c	45. c
46. a	47. b	48. d	49. c	50. d
51. b	52. b	53. c	54. b	55. d