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2022 VTSO ENGLISH EXAM

Remember to transfer your answers to the attached answer sheet. The answers on this paper will not be marked.

PART 1. - MULTIPLE-CHOICE TEST

Read the text below and decide which word or phrase A, B, C or D best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0), which has been done for you. Underline the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.

Most of us take cheese for (0) .. B.. When we go to the supermarket, we expect to see a (1) ... of different cheeses to choose from. But have you ever wondered how these differences (2) ... about?

Cheese has been produced and eaten for many thousands of years. No one knows for sure how we (3) ... how to make cheese, but some animals, like lambs, produce cheese naturally in their stomachs. It's possible that our (4) ... found this cheese-like (5) in the stomach of a dead lamb or calf and liked the taste. Certainly, cheese is very practical. Milk (6) ...very quickly, but turning it into a (7)means that it can be kept for much longer. Cheese is also healthy, being full of protein, calcium and (8)...acids.

Cheese can be made from the milk of animals such as goats, sheep, cows, and (9)...horses and reindeer. By (10) the most popular cheese in the world is Cheddar, an English cheese made from cow's milk.

The amount of water and fat used in the production of cheese (11) ...whether it is hard or soft. The flavour of cheese (12)on the kind of bacteria used in the ripening process. All cheese has bacteria in it, but this is not (13)to humans.

The holes in Swiss cheese are made by bacteria that (14) ...a certain gas. Roquefort and other blue cheeses are blue because they have a mould in them. Once (15), this is quite safe to eat.

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| 0 | A given | B <u>granted</u> | C read | D said |
| 1 | A sort | B range | C variation | D distribution |
| 2 | A take | B are | C go | D came |
| 3 | A discovered | B invented | C worked | D succeeded |
| 4 | A elders | B descendants | C ancestors | D peers |
| 5 | A sort | B material | C substance | D type |
| 6 | A goes off | B takes out | C takes in | D ends up |
| 7 | A figure | B form | C shape | D solid |
| 8 | A famous | B noteworthy | C essential | D significant |
| 9 | A still | B even | C yet | D too |
| 10 | A far | B long | C high | D deep |
| 11 | A determines | B means | C decides | D says |
| 12 | A derives | B results | C relies | D depends |
| 13 | A bad | B harmful | C destructive | D unhelpful |
| 14 | A set in | B make up | C give off | D hand out |
| 15 | A again | B more | C over | D up |



PART 2. – SENTENCE CONSTRUCTION

Order the words to make sentences.

Example: my / going / out / tooth / have / I'm / bad / to / tomorrow / taken
I'm going to have my bad tooth taken out tomorrow.

16 we / other / ever / days / see / hardly / each / these

17 our / installed / solar / having / we're / new / two / weeks / panels / in

18 she / go / Kerry / doesn't / has / to / out / headache / because / want / a

19 kitchen / you / same / exactly / your / will / painted / have / colour / the / ?

20 later, / to / you're / you'll / sooner / that / or / have / admit / wrong

PART 3. - ERROR CORRECTION

Read the sentences below. Some of the lines 21-30 are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. If a line is correct, put a tick (✓) by the number at the end of the line on the answer sheet. If a line has a word that should not be there, write the word in the space provided on the answer sheet.

- Ex. ✓ My first job interview was a bit of a disaster. I got up about
21 an hour before the interview, took out a quick shower and put
22 on a new suit I had bought. The weather which was awful so I
23 decided on a taxi would be a good idea. I called the taxi
24 company and they said that they would send a taxi round to my
25 house. After half an hour, I thought it was getting rather than
26 late, so I had called them back. They said that the driver
27 couldn't find my house! I gave to them the address again and
28 they promised that he would be getting there shortly. Finally, he arrived
29 and we left for the office where the interview was taking place. I got only
30 there twenty minutes late. I did my best but I didn't get the job.



PART 4. - SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Here is an example:

Example:

You must do exactly what the teacher tells you.

CARRY

You must carry out the teacher's instructions exactly.

31. I arrived on time, although I had left home late. **DESPITE**
..... I arrived on time.
32. It started to rain three hours after we started walking. **HAD**
We three hours when it started to rain.
33. I regret not visiting The National Gallery when I was in London. **VISITED**
I The National Gallery when I was in London.
34. I get the impression that John has been crying. **AS**
It..... has been crying.
35. I'm sorry I left my book on the train. **WISH**
I my book on the train.
36. Sam seems to be naturally good at playing the violin. **TALENT**
Sam seems to playing the piano.
37. I last saw Stephen over a year ago. **FOR**
I more than a year.
38. My uncle often worries about even the smallest problems. **TENDENCY**
My uncleabout even the smallest problems.
39. I got a flu because I went out with wet hair. **HAVE**
If I hadn't gone out with wet hair,a flu.
40. I met Peter when we were students in London. **KNOWN**
I we were students in London.

PART 5. – WORD TRANSFORMATION

For questions 41-45 use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. Use the words in BOLD to help you decide on the correct form of your answer. There is an example at the beginning.

Example:

The first performance of the ballet last night was a great success.

PERFORM

- 41 Mike is really these days. You never know if he is going to be cheerful
or bad-tempered.

MOOD



- 42 I tried to apologize to Anna after the argument, but I am not that we'll ever be best friends again. **OPTIMISM**
- 43 The show became popular with young learners. **RAPID**
- 44 Get up off that sofa and help me with the preparations for your party! Your is really beginning to annoy me. **LAZY**
- 45 When we had aabout the film, we realized that nobody had enjoyed it. **DISCUSS**

PART 6. - READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text and choose the most suitable heading (a-h) for each paragraph (46-50). There are two extra headings which you do not need to use.

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| A | <i>Ask for help.</i> | F | <i>Don't waste your time</i> |
| B | <i>Break up the work.</i> | G | <i>Separate donations and trash.</i> |
| C | <i>Create a special space</i> | H | <i>Think about your overall goal.</i> |
| D | <i>Declutter regularly.</i> | | |
| E | <i>Get rid of duplicates.</i> | | |

Tips for Decluttering Your Home

Ready to tackle a big decluttering project but not quite sure where to start? Here are some decluttering tips to help you reorganize your own home into a clutter-free haven:

Example: **H**

Decluttering is often associated with minimalism—owning as few things as possible. While minimalism can be a great lifestyle choice, others enjoy owning more items and derive pleasure and joy from their possessions. Before you start decluttering your house, decide what you want the end product to look like, so you don't get rid of too much or too little.

46. _____

Decluttering is a big job, and setting out to tackle your entire house can leave you feeling overwhelmed, frustrated, or confused about where to start. Instead, break your goal into smaller goals that will help you achieve a sense of accomplishment along the way. Choose the first room or group of items you want to declutter and start small (think a shelf or a drawer).

47. _____

Before you start going through your things, set up a system where you have a clear place for items that you're going to give away to a second hand store and a trash bag for items you're going to throw away. Using this method allows you to organize as you go.



48. _____

If you discover that you own multiples of the same item—for example, four different can openers—ask yourself if you need all of these items. Did you buy a second one because you couldn't find the first one? If so, resolve to keep one in a convenient place and donate or sell the rest.

49. _____

Even if you're doing it efficiently, decluttering is a big job for one person. Ask family members or friends to help you with tasks you just don't feel up to doing yourself. The opinions of a trusted friend can often help you get rid of old items you've been hesitant to discard.

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Clutter will start to accumulate, even for vigilant homeowners who are consistently tidying up. Rather than letting the clutter frustrate you, accept that it's normal—and commit to occasional “mini-declutterings” and cleanups (whether that's once a month or once a year) to keep a mess-free home.

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