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|  **PHÒNG GD&ĐT LONG BIÊN****TRƯỜNG THCS THƯỢNG THANH****Remarks and mark****Name: ………………………****Class:………………………..** | **THE FIRST SEMESTER ENGLISH TEST GRADE 8****School year: 2018 – 2019****Time allowance: 45minutes****(Code 04)** |

**LISTENING**

**Listen to the passage and choose the best words or phrases to complete the sentences.(8pts)**

1. Five-coloured sticky rice represents almost all ethnic …………….… groups in the northern mountainous regions.

A. ethnology B. community C.majority D. minority

2. The dish has five colours: white, green, …………….…, red and yellow.

A. blue B. pink C. white D. black

3. Leaves, …………….…or fruit used to colour the sticky rice can be found in the forest.

A. boots B. proofs C. roots D. roofs

4. All …………….…of delicious five-coloured sticky rice are natural.

A. elements B. colours C. cuisines D. ingredients

**Listen again and choose the best answer in each of the following questions. (8pts)**

5. Where is five-coloured sticky rice a popular dish?

A. in Southern Viet Nam. B. in Middle Viet Nam

C. in mountainous areas Viet Nam D in Northern Viet Nam

6. What does each of the colours represent?

A. perfect harmony of nature B. an important element of life

C. a well-known speciality nationwide. D. colour of nature

7. When is this traditional dish usually prepared?

A. On special occasions. B. when there are guests.

C. at Tet holiday. D. All above options

8. What ingredient of the dish is made with?

A. leaves B. chemicals.

C. artifcial elements D. natural elements

 **PHONETICS**

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions. (4pts)**

9. A. education B. action C. mention D. question

10. A. leisure B. penalty C. eight D. celebrate

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that differs from other three in position of primary stress in each of the following questions. (4pts)**

11. A. tradition B. festival C. emperor D. motherland

12.A. magician B. vegetarian C. historian D. musician

**USE OF LANGUAGE**

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer in each of the following questions.(14pts)**

13. John and Marcy went to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ school yesterday.

A. a B. an C. the D. ∅

14. The farmer rides the buffalo -\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ carts loaded full of rice home.

A. drawn B. draw C. drawing D. drew

15. They enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ on Sundays.

A. garden B. gardened C. gardens D. gardening

16. In Viet Nam, we follow the tradition of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the ancestors.

A. worshipping B. respecting C. breaking D. following

17. You  \_\_\_\_use your mobile phone on the plane.

A. don’t have to B. have to C. mustn’t D. must

18.In 2010, Ha Noi\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ its 1000th anniversary.

A. remembered B. commemorated C. worshipped D. celebrated

19. Why don’t you come with us to the Lim Festival? You won’t regret it

A. Exactly. B. Yes, it’s right up my street. C. Sounds great! D. No, we can’t.

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions. (6pts)**

20. He drives as careful as his brother

 A B C D

21. My bedroom is the most tidy room in my house.

 A B C D

22.When I came, the whole family is having dinner around a big dining table.

 A B C D

**READING**

**Read the passage choose the correct word A, B or C for each gap to complete the following passage.(12pts)**

I go on the Internet every day, but I’ve never (23)…………….more than an hour at a time online. I’ve got laptop and also a smartphone, so I can (24)…………the Internet anywhere. Today, for instance, I’ve been online three times.

Mainly I just (25)………………my friends. I read online magazines and I look (26)……………information, too. I also compare prices of things, (27)…………….…I’ve never bought anythings online because I don’t think it’s safe.

I’m not an Internet addict, but some of my friends (28)………… .One friend of mine always looks tired because he spends all night online. Although he’s got a lot of bad marks for the exams, he hasn’t changed his habits.

In my experience, it’s very useful for people who use the Internet sensibly.

23. A. spend B. spent C. spending D. to spend

24. A. use B. take C. have D. play

25. A. chat B. write C. email D. send

26. A. to B. for C. at D. in

27. A. because B. although C. moreover D. but

28. A. are B. is C. were D. was

 **Read the passage and choose the item among A, B, C or D that best answers the question about the passage.(8pts)**

Living in the country is something that people from the city often dream about. However, in reality, it has both advantages and disadvantages. There are certainly many advantages to living in the country. First, you can enjoy peace and quietness. Moreover, people tend to be friendlier. A further advantage is that there is less traffic, so it is safer for young children. However, there are certain disadvantages or drawbacks to life outside the city. First, because there are fewer people, you are likely to have few friends. In addition, entertainment is difficult to find, particularly in the evening. Furthermore, the fact that there are fewer shops and services means that it is hard to find jobs. In short, it can be seen that the country is more suitable for some people than others. On the whole, it is often the best for those who are retired or who have young children. In contrast, young people who have a career are better provided in the city.

*29. According to the passage, living in the country has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

A. only good points B. only bad points

C. both good and bad points D. no disadvantages

*30. How many advantages does living in the country have?*

A. No D. Two   C. Three    B. Four

*31. Living in the country is safer for young children because\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

A. there are few shops    B. there are fewer people

C. there is less traffic   D. there are few services

*32. Which of the following statements is****NOT true*** *according to the passage?*

A. People in the country tend to be friendlier than people in the city.

B. The country is only suitable for retired people.

C. It’s hard to find entertainment in the country.

D. There are fewer shops and services in the country.

**WRITING**

### Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it. (8pts)

### 33. Houses in the city are much more expensive than those in the coutryside.

### Houses in the coutryside are much …………………………………………..…… those in the city.

34. It’s a good idea to swallow rapidly if you have hiccups.

You should……………………….................................................................................................

35. He likes to listen to pop music than to watch TV after school.

He prefers ……………………………………………………………………………………………

36. It is an interesting legend.

What …………………………...............................................................................................…..!

**Use conjunctive adverbs: “so, otherwise,therefore, moreover” to connect the sentences. (8pts)**

37. You can go to the Giong Festival. You can go to the Huong Pagoda Festival.

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38. At the Ooc om bok we float beautiful paper lanterns on the river. We also hold thrilling dragon boat races.

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39**.** As Julia likes Vietnamese folk songs, she goes to the Um Festival every year.

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40. Nick wanted to travel around Viet Nam to take pictures of festivals. He started to save money.

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**THE END**

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*Tapescript*

*Five-coloured sticky rice is certainly the dish that best represents almost all ethnic minority groups living in the mountainous areas of Northern Viet Nam.**The name of this dish already describes it clearly: steamed sticky rice in five different colours.**Each of the five colours symbolises an important element of life: white is metal, green is plants, black is water, red is fire and yellow is earth.*

*It is believed that these five elements together create perfect harmony for heaven, earth and humans.**This traditional dish is usually prepared during Tet holiday, on special occasions and to welcome guests.**To colour the sticky rice, people have to look for the exact leaves, roots or fruit in the forest.**The fact that all these ingredients of delicious five-coloured sticky rice come from nature makes it a well-known speciality nationwide.*

**MULTIPLE CHOICES(each right answer get 2 points)**

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| **1. D** | **2. D** | **3. C** | **4. D** |
| **5. C** | **6. B** | **7. D** | **8. D** |
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| **13. D** | **14. A** | **15. D** | **16. A** |
| **17. C** | **18. D** | **19. C** | **20. B** |
| **21. C** | **22. C** | **23. B** | **24. A** |
| **25. C** | **26. B** | **27. D** | **28. A** |
| **29. C** | **30. C** | **31. C** | **32. B** |

### WRITING

### Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it. (2x4=8pts)

### 33. Houses in the coutryside are much cheaper than those in the city.

34. You should swallow rapidly if you have hiccups.

35. He prefers listening to pop music to watching TV after school.

36. What an interesting legend (it is)!

**Use conjunctive adverbs: “so, otherwise, therefore, moreover” to connect the sentences. (2x4=8pts)**

37. You can go to the Giong Festival; otherwise, you can go to the Huong Pagoda Festival.

38. At the Ooc om bok we float beautiful paper lanterns on the river; moreover, we hold thrilling dragon boat races.

39**.** Julia likes Vietnamese folk songs, so she goes to the Um Festival every year.

40. Nick wanted to travel around Viet Nam to take pictures of festivals; therefore, he started to save money.

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