

MIDTERM TEST (SEMESTER 2)

Thời gian: 60 phút

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING

I. Listen to a conversation and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F). You will listen TWICE.

1. A. True B. False
2. A. True B. False
3. A. True B. False
4. A. True B. False
5. A. True B. False

Audio script

Dad: Tom, your mum isn't feeling well today. We need to go shopping for her.

Tom: OK, Dad. Let's go.

Tom: I think we should buy a few things, like bananas, oranges, apples, and some cereal.

Dad: Okay, the cereal aisle is right over there. Let's get the cereal first. [Ah] There it is! Let's get two packages of oatmeal.

Tom: Oatmeal? I hate it!

Dad: What do you mean? We always have oatmeal for breakfast.

Tom: Exactly! We ALWAYS have oatmeal. I'm so sick of it.

Dad: But it's healthy.

Tom: It's boring, too!

Dad: How about this? Let's get the oatmeal for me, and you can choose another kind of cereal.

Tom: Really? Yay!

Dad: But remember to read the label for the ingredients before buying anything.

Tom: Yeah. Where's my favourite cereal? [Oh] There it is! It's called "Sweety Sugar Flakes".

Dad: Well then . . . before you put it into the shopping cart, ...

Tom: Um. I know. Ingredients are sugar, salt, corn syrup, ... and oh what? Oatmeal!

(Adapted from www.listenagainenglish.com)

II. Listen to a talk about tsunamis and complete each of the sentences with NO MORE THAN FOUR WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER. You will listen TWICE.

1. Tsunamis are huge waves that happen in the ocean.
2. When the ocean floor moves suddenly, it moves the water above it.
3. Tsunamis can move very fast, up to 700 kilometres per hour.
4. When tsunamis get close to the coast and shallow water, they can get very big.
5. It's important to know what to do if there might be a tsunami coming and to listen to local authorities if they say you need to evacuate.

Audio script

Tsunamis are huge waves that happen in the ocean. They result from events beneath the water's surface, such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, or landslides. When the ocean floor moves suddenly, it moves the water above it and creates a series of waves that travel through the ocean. Tsunamis can move very fast, up to 700 kilometres per hour, but they are not usually very tall in the open ocean, only one or two metres high.

However, when tsunamis get close to the coast and shallow water, they can get very big, sometimes up to 40 metres high. This can cause a lot of damage to the coast, like flooding, destruction of buildings and infrastructure, and even loss of life. That's why it's important to know what to do if there might be a tsunami coming and to listen to local authorities if they say you need to evacuate.

(Adapted from English Workbook 8 – Unit 9 – D2 – NXBGDVN)

LANGUAGE - PRONUNCIATION

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

1. A. cruel B. pull C. truth D. judo
2. A. epidemic B. develop C. attendance D. telescope

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

1. A. gather B. attend C. culture D. mountain
2. A. message B. combine C. lighthouse D. harvest

LANGUAGE - GRAMMAR

5. A. minimizing B. boosting C. worsening D. developing

II. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Recently, electricity has been generated in Britain in many different ways. Most of it is produced using oil and gas; but oil-burning power-stations are already being shut down, and gas has been much more extravagant to consume. Nuclear power-stations will not be operated either because they are very costly and also dangerous to use.

In the future, electricity will be generated from renewable sources. In the coming years, gas will be a vital source of energy. It is much greener than burning oil, and also easier to extract. Gas can be used for cars and households, too, but a lot of the gas used in Britain and Europe is exported from Russia. However, the war in Ukraine seems to be a problem now. Other sources such as the sun, the wind, and the oceans will provide us with all the energy that we need! It will be clean energy - with no pollution - and it will last forever. It seems to be the best solution for the future.

(Adapted from *www.linguapress.com*)

1. A. oil burning B. power stations C. oil and gas D. nuclear power
2. A. They are expensive & They are not safe are correct.
 B. They are expensive & They are not safe are not correct.
 C. They are expensive.
 D. They are not safe.
3. A. Gas B. Coal C. Oil D. Nuclear
4. A. Russia B. Asia C. Ukraine D. Britain
5. A. The future sources of energy. B. Future solutions for gas
 C. Electricity in Britain D. The end of nuclear power

WRITING

I. Reorder the given words/ phrases to make meaningful sentences.

1. Nam and his family were watching the weather forecast at 8 o'clock last night.
2. The volcano erupted when they were spending their vacation on the island.
3. I prefer online shopping because it saves my time and I can find a wide range of products.

II. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

1. Before we send all used bottles and cans to the recycling factory, we gather them together.
2. As soon as shoppers become aware of the environmental impact of fast fashion, they begin to seek out sustainable clothing brands.
3. After environmentalists observe a decline in the population of endangered species, they launch a conservation campaign.

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Online shopping has become common around the world recently due to its numerous benefits. The first one is its convenience. No one can deny how easy and comfortable it is to stay at home and buy the whole world from your own house. Moreover, it also offers such a wide range of products that you can never find in just one offline shop. Thus, you can be able to choose the products that suit you best without moving between different stores. In short, online shopping will be more and more popular in the future due to its various advantages.