

**ĐỀ THI HỌC SINH GIỎI**

**Môn Tiếng Anh 8**

**Thời gian: 150 phút**

**Part ONE: Phonology**

**I. Choose the word whose bold part is pronounced differently from the others in each group.**

**Write your answer (A, B, C or D) in the space given on the right. (5 pts)**

1. A. stomach    B. **match**    C. catch    D. watch
2. A. **laughed**    B. promised    C. placed    D. played
3. A. leaf    B. bread    C. deaf    D. head
4. A. advises    B. horses    C. rises    D. **houses**
5. A. son    B. six    C. sugar    D. suit
6. A. pause    B. **author**    C. clause    D. **aunt**
7. A. think    B. sign    C. ring    D. sing
8. A. **whisper**    B. which    C. whose    D. **wheel**
9. A. **this**    B. thin    C. **though**    D. **their**
10. A. **book**    B. look    C. floor    D. hook

**Part two: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR**

**I. Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.**

**Write your answer (A, B, C or D) in the space given on the right. (10 pts)**

1. Promise that you'll be on time. You \_\_\_\_\_ be late.  
A. don't have to    B. have to    C. must    D. mustn't
2. To remember the words you've learnt, you have to \_\_\_\_\_ them often.  
A. repeat    B. rewrite    C. revise    D. replace
3. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ that you want to know more.  
A. please    B. pleasing    C. pleased    D. to please
4. Look! I can see a boy \_\_\_\_\_ in the street now.  
A. run    B. runs    C. to run    D. running
5. The tiger succeeded in \_\_\_\_\_ from the farmer.  
A. going    B. getting    C. running away    D. freeing

6. One match can \_\_\_\_\_ a fire.  
A. make      B.start C. cause    D. all are correct
7. We saw an interesting film on TV last night. \_\_\_\_\_ an interesting film we saw!  
A. Which      B. What          C. How          D. So
8. Living conditions are good in the city, and medical facilities can be easily \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. ready      B. prepared.    C. arranged      D. accessible
9. After his wife died, he married again. He \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. rearranged B. remarried    C. reoccupied.    D. repeated
10. \_\_\_\_\_ is a science of elements that can change the world.  
A. mathematics                      B. chemistry    C. physics    D. biology
11. Jenny and her sister are so \_\_\_\_\_ that they could almost be twins.  
A. likeness    B. alike          C. same          D. the same
12. Nobody likes to pay \_\_\_\_\_ prices.  
A. high        B. tall            C. big            D. expensive
13. Photo \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the most popular hobbies.  
A. taking      B. making      C. catching      D. doing
14. I'm sorry, but I have to stop \_\_\_\_\_ for a while. I'm getting hungry.  
A. working    B. to work      C. to be working D. what
15. I worked \_\_\_\_\_ a doctor, I must advise you to give up smoking.  
A. Though    B. Like          C. Same          D. As
16. My dog, as well as my cats, \_\_\_\_\_ twice a day  
A. eat          B. eats          C. has eaten      D. have eaten
17. How are you feeling today? \_\_\_\_\_ better, thank you.  
A. More        B. Much        C. Very            D. Many
18. She has changed so much that \_\_\_\_\_ anyone recognized her.  
A. almost      B. hardly        C. never          D. no
19. Linda had a \_\_\_\_\_ in her hair yesterday.  
A. nice bow yellow B. bow yellow nice C. nice yellow bow D. yellow nice bow
20. I know my \_\_\_\_\_ to school.  
A. address      B. walk          C. destination    D. way

**II. Match a phrase in column A with a phrase in column B to make a complete sentence.**

**Write your answers in the spaces given. (5 pts)**

**A**

**B**

1. My little brother started school ... a. for several years.
2. The PM hasn't been abroad ... b. to go to school.
3. I caught a cold ... c. all day.
4. My father has been asleep in bed ... d. for the test yet.
5. The Red Cross started ... e. the more you understand the world around.
6. The dentist has asked us to wait ... f. when we went out in the rain.
7. The last bus left ... g. for a few minutes.
8. We haven't begun to study ... h. several minutes ago.
9. Tom was too ill ... i. in the 19th century.
10. The more you travel ... j. when he was six.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Fill each blank in the following sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets. (5 pts)**

1. We must have a talk to clear up the \_\_\_\_\_ between us. (UNDERSTAND)
2. The journalist did want to reveal the source of his \_\_\_\_\_. (INFORM)
3. The company has shown rapid \_\_\_\_\_ in the last two years. (GROW)
4. Please, \_\_\_\_\_ your seat belt. The plane is taking off. (FAST)
5. If he isn't Spanish, what \_\_\_\_\_ is he? (NATION)
6. She is constantly complaining about the \_\_\_\_\_ she has. (COMFORT)
7. Britain, Germany and France are \_\_\_\_\_ countries. (DEVELOP)
8. There were about 30 \_\_\_\_\_ for this job. (APPLY)
9. Dogs are said to be \_\_\_\_\_ pets. (FAITH)
10. He regularly writes \_\_\_\_\_ for our newspaper (POET)

**IV. Give the correct tense or form of the verbs in brackets. (10 pts)**

1. Please stop (*talk*) \_\_\_\_\_. The teacher (*explain*) \_\_\_\_\_ a difficult lesson
2. Jane (*think*) \_\_\_\_\_ Tom (*be*) \_\_\_\_\_ here last night.
3. John (*live*) \_\_\_\_\_ in the same house since he (*leave*) \_\_\_\_\_ school.

4. What (*you do*) \_\_\_\_\_ if you (*be*) \_\_\_\_\_ in my situation?
5. I hoped he (*attend*) \_\_\_\_\_ the lecture, but he (*not come*) \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The teacher (*ask*) \_\_\_\_\_ Bill why he (*not go*) \_\_\_\_\_ to school the day before.
7. When Alice (*get*) \_\_\_\_\_ here tomorrow, (*you show*) \_\_\_\_\_ her to her room?
8. Tom suggested (*look*) \_\_\_\_\_ for somewhere (*have*) \_\_\_\_\_ a drink.
9. (*Garden*) \_\_\_\_\_ can make you (*feel*) \_\_\_\_\_ healthy.
10. Last night we (*watch*) \_\_\_\_\_ TV when the power (*fail*) \_\_\_\_\_.

**V. Fill each blank in these sentences with a suitable preposition. (5 pts)**

1. I object \_\_\_\_\_ going to the movies on weekdays.
2. We got there just \_\_\_\_\_ time to see the end of the program.
3. They will come here \_\_\_\_\_ noon.
4. You should try to keep up \_\_\_\_\_ the other students in your class.
5. I certainly hope that David is aware \_\_\_\_\_ all the problems involved.
6. She is often dressed \_\_\_\_\_ white.
7. Their house is \_\_\_\_\_ the corner of the street.
8. We were much surprised \_\_\_\_\_ her sudden appearance.
9. Her father has much influence \_\_\_\_\_ her.
10. Both of the men were trying to speak \_\_\_\_\_ the same time.

**VI. Combine these pairs of sentences using a relative clause. (5 pts)**

1. An American journalist interviewed the tennis champion. The journalist reminded me of my English teacher.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. The book is very useful. I bought it last year.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. We decided to invite the two young dancers. We had seen them perform on television.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. The new concert hall was opened yesterday. It holds two thousand people.  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. The manager of the pop group has just resigned. The group is touring the US at the moment.
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### Part three: reading COMPREHENSION

#### I. Read the passage and choose the answer which best fits each space.

Write your answer (A, B, C or D) in the space given on the right. (5 pts)

After two weeks of worry, a farmer in the north of England was very happy yesterday. James Hunt, a farmer who (1) sheep, lost his dog, Peter, when they were out (2) together a fortnight ago.

'Peter was running (3) of me,' he said, 'and disappeared over the top of the hill. I whistled and called (4) he didn't come. He's young, so I thought perhaps he'd gone back to the farmhouse (5) his own. But he wasn't there. Over the next few days I (6) as much time looking for him as I could. I was afraid that I would never see him (7). Then a neighbour said she had heard an animal crying while she was out walking near the (8) of the cliff. I rushed out and found Peter on a shelf of rock halfway down. He was thin and (9), but he had no (10) injuries. He was really lucky. And I was, too.'

1. A. goes            B. grows            C. keeps            D. holds
2. A. working        B. worked          C. work            D. works
3. A. behind        B. beside           C. ahead            D. around
4. A. but            B. so                C. and               D. even
5. A. by             B. on                C. with              D. of
6. A. used           B. spent            C. gave              D. passed
7. A. more          B. again            C. further           D. after
8. A. edge           B. side              C. border            D. height
9. A. poor           B. dull              C. weak              D. broken
10. A. strong        B. hard              C. rough             D. serious

#### II. Read the passage and answer the questions. (5 pts)

The 'Mary Celeste' was built in 1861 in Canada. When it was launched, it was given the name 'The Amazon'. It was not a lucky ship. The first captain died a few days after it was registered, and on its first voyage in 1862 it was badly damaged in a collision. When it was repaired in port, it caught fire. In 1863 it crossed the Atlantic for the first time, and collided with

another ship in the English Channel. Four years later, in 1867, it ran aground on Cape Breton Island, off the Canadian coast. The ship was almost completely wrecked and had to be rebuilt. It was then sold and the name was changed to the 'Mary Celeste'.

1. Where and when was the 'Mary Celeste' built?

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2. What was its first name?

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3. What happened to it when it was repaired in port?

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4. How many times did it collide with other ships?

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5. When was it rebuilt? Why?

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**III. Fill each the numbered blanks in the following passage with ONE suitable word. (15 pts)**

### BUYING CAKES

A bus stopped (1) \_\_\_\_\_ a small village. A man looked (2) \_\_\_\_\_ of the window and (3) \_\_\_\_\_ a woman (4) \_\_\_\_\_ cakes. The man wanted to buy a cake but the woman was far away from the (5) \_\_\_\_\_. The man did not want to get out himself so he (6) \_\_\_\_\_ a little boy (7) \_\_\_\_\_ was standing near the bus, "How much does a cake (8) \_\_\_\_\_?" "Three pence, sir," answered the boy. The man gave him six pence and (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to him, "Bring me a cake. And with the (10) \_\_\_\_\_ three pence buy one for (11) \_\_\_\_\_."

A few minutes later the boy came (12) \_\_\_\_\_ eating a cake. He gave the man three pence change (13) \_\_\_\_\_ said, "I am (14) \_\_\_\_\_ sorry, sir, but there was only one cake (15) \_\_\_\_\_."

### Part four: WRITING

**I. Use the following words or phrases to write complete sentences. (5 pts)**

1. People / used / work / hard / past.

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2. Usually / he get / 6 / but / yesterday / get / 7.

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3. Now she / dance / beautifully / than / use to.

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4. Train / often / arrive / station / time.

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5. What / weather / like / tomorrow?

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**II. Finish the second sentence so that it means the same as the original one. (5 pts)**

1. Although he was ill, he managed to finish his job.

In spite \_\_\_\_\_

2. I took little notice of the man standing at the gate.

I didn't pay \_\_\_\_\_

3. He could not afford to buy the car.

The car \_\_\_\_\_

4. I don't really want to visit the museum today.

I'd rather \_\_\_\_\_

5. May I borrow your pen?

Would you mind \_\_\_\_\_

**Part Five: Listening**

**\* Listen and complete the sentences. (20 pts)**

1. Mrs Robinson wants .....to go to the .....

2. Mrs Robinson wants some marigolds because they are ..... at Tet.

3. Mrs Robinson wants Liz to buy a packet of .....

4. Mrs Robinson is asking Mrs Nga how to .....spring rolls.

**THE END**

**Đáp án chấm thi Môn Tiếng Anh 8**

**Tổng điểm : 100**

**Part one: phonology**

**Choose the word whose bold part is pronounced differently from the others in each group. (5 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. A 2. D 3. A 4. B 5. C 6. D 7. B 8. C 9. B 10. C

**Part two: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR**

**I. Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence. (10 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. D 2. C 3. C 4. D 5. C 6. D 7. B 8. D 9. B 10. B  
11. B 12. A 13. A 14. A 15. D 16. B 17. B 18. B 19. C 20. D

**II. Match a phrase in column A with a phrase in column B to make a complete sentence. (5 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. j 2. a 3. f 4. c 5. i 6. g 7. h 8. d 9. b 10. e

**III. Fill each blank in the following sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets. (5 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

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|---------------------|---------------|
| 1. misunderstanding | 6. discomfort |
| 2. information      | 7. developed  |
| 3. growth           | 8. applicants |
| 4. fasten           | 9. faithful   |
| 5. nationality      | 10. poems     |

**IV. Give the correct tense or form of the verbs in brackets. (10 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. talking – is explaining            | 6. asked – hadn't gone  |
| 2. thinks – was                       | 7. gets – will you show |
| 3. has been living / has lived – left | 8. looking – to have    |

4. would you do – were

9. Gardening - feel

5. would attend

10. were watching – failed

**V. Fill each blank in these sentences with a suitable preposition. (5 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. to

6. in

2. in

7. on/at

3. at

8. at/by

4. with

9. on

5. of

10. at

**VI. Combine these pairs of sentences using a relative clause. (5 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. An American journalist who reminded me of my English teacher interviewed the tennis champion.
2. The book (which/that)I bought last year is very useful.
3. We decided to invite the two young dancers (whom/who/that) we had seen perform on television.
4. The new concert hall which/that holds two thousand people was opened yesterday.
5. The manager of the pop group which/that is touring the US at the moment has just resigned.

**Part three: reading COMPREHENSION**

**I. Read the passage and choose the answer which best fits each space. (5 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. C 2. A 3. C 4. A 5. B 6. B 7. B 8. A 9. C 10. D

**II. Read the passage and answer the questions. (5 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. It (The ‘Mary Celeste) was built in 1861 in Canada.
2. Its first name/ It was “The Amazon”.
3. It caught fire.
4. Twice/ It collided twice (with other ships).
5. It was rebuilt in 1897, because it (ran aground and) was almost completely wrecked.

**III. Fill each the numbered blanks in the following passage with ONE suitable word. (15 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

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|------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 1. at      | 6. called/waved/asked | 11. yourself |
| 2. out     | 7. who/that           | 12. back     |
| 3. saw     | 8. cost               | 13. and      |
| 4. selling | 9. said               | 14. very     |
| 5. bus     | 10. remaining         | 15. left     |

**Part four: WRITING**

**I. Use the following words or phrases to write complete sentences. (10 pts)**

*Mỗi câu đúng 0,5 điểm*

1. People used to work hard/harder in the past.
2. Usually he gets up at 6, but yesterday he got up at 7.
3. Now she dances more beautifully than she used to.
4. The train often arrives at the station on time.
5. What will the weather be like / tomorrow?

**Part Five: Listening**

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**Part Five: Listening**

**\* Listen and complete the sentences. (20 pts)**

1. Mrs Robinson wants *Mr Robinson* ...to go to the ... *flower market* ...
2. Mrs Robinson wants some marigolds because they are ... *traditional* ... at Tet.
3. Mrs Robinson wants Liz to buy a packet of .. *of dried watermelon seed*
4. Mrs Robinson is asking Mrs Nga how to ..... *make* ..spring rolls.