VSTEP COMPILATION

SPEAKING

Part 1: (sample questions for VSTEP SPEAKING TEST)

Talk about Tet holiday

- 1. What is the most popular celebration in your country?
- 2. How do people celebrate the New Year Holiday (Tet holiday) in Vietnam?
- 3. Which activities do you enjoy the most during the Tet holiday?
- 4. What did you do on the last Tet holiday?

Talk about dream

- 1. Do you often have dreams?
- 2. Do you usually remember your dreams?
- 3. Do you think we can learn something from dreams?
- 4. Do you believe dreams have a special meaning?

Talk about musical instruments

- 1. Do you play any musical instruments?
- 2. What kind of musical instruments do you like to play?
- 3. Which instrument do you like listening to most?
- 4. Do you think children should learn to play a musical instrument at school?

Talk about game show

- 1. Do you like watching game show?
- 2. What game show do you like to watch
- 3. Whom do you usually watch game show with?
- 4. What are benefits of watching game show?

Talk about computer (brand *)

- 1. Do you often use a computer?
- 2. How do you usually get online?
- 3. Do you prefer desktops or laptops?
- 4. What do you use your computer for?
- 5. Do you think it is important to learn how to use a computer?

Talk about (Vietnamese*) food

- 1. Who usually makes food in your home?
- 2. Where do you eat most often?
- 3. When do you like to go out to eat?
- 4. Do you think it is important to learn to cook? (why or why not?)
- 5. Do you like Vietnamese food?
- **6.** What kind of Vietnamese food do you like to eat?
- 7. What kinds of Vietnamese food do you dislike or cannot eat?

Talk about interview (*)

Part 2:

- 1. My school wants to organize an event to donate to needy students. There are three options considered: *organize concert, organize second market, or organize marathon race*. What do you think is the best choice?
- 2. Your summer vacation is coming and you want to do an activity in this vacation. There are three options considered: *improve career skills, learn a new language, do exercises*. Which one do you think is the best choice?
- 3. Your friend is going to study English. There are three options for your friend to choose: *study online, study in English class, or study with a tutor*. Which one do you think is the best choice?
- 4. You have to choose pet to give as a birthday gift for your friend. There are three options for you to choose: *a dog*, *a cat*, *a rabbit*. Which one do you think is the best choice?
- 5. There are some people/ options for you to learn life experience: excellent students, famous singers, managers
- 6. Your brother's birthday is coming. There are three options for you to choose a birthday gift for him: *a selfie stick, a camera, or three days travel*. Which one do you think is the best choice?
- 7. Your are planing to take a trip and you consider a place to stay: *resort, hotel, or countryside*. Which one do you think is the best choice?
- 8. You want to study history. There are three ways for you to study history effectively: *go to museum, read book, go online.* Which one do you think is the best choice?

Part 3: (sample questions for VSTEP SPEAKING TEST)

Benefits of studying abroad.

- improve language
- high job opportunity
- get promotion (personal development)

Benefits/ drawbacks of homeschooling

1. Benefits of homeschooling

- save time
- have safe learning environment
- eliminates unnecessary competition among peers

2. Drawbacks of homeschooling

- lack of social interaction
- decreased focus on learning and concentration
- slower pace of learning

Benefits/ drawbacks of staying at a hostel

1. Benefits of staying at a hostel.

- cheap cost
- service
- make new friends

2. Drawbacks of staying at a hostel

- lack of privacy
- risk of thief
- strange roommates

Advertisement

1. Advantages of advertisement

- wide coverage
- fights competition
- increase sale volume

2. Disadvantages of advertisement

- high/ expensive cost
- create negative brand awareness
- confuses the Buyers

3. Types of advertisement

- display advertising.
- paid search advertising.
- social media advertising

Advantages and disadvantages of keeping wild animals in the zoos.

1. Advantages of keeping wild animals in the zoos.

- nice for field trips
- protect animals from poaching
- take away the need to travel to see animals

2. Disadvantages of keeping wild animals in the zoos.

- Alter the behavior of animals
- Lack of regulations
- develop mental issues for animals

Benefits of long Tet holidays:

- gathering
- reducing stress
- traveling

Drawbacks of fast food (harm)

- obesity
- effect on the digestive systems
- lack of nutrition

WRITING

Task 1: (at least 120 words)

1. You are a member of your school's event organization. And you receive a letter from a student studying at your school?

.......Have you been? I know that my school is going to visit a museum. However, I forget some information, can you give me some information, which museum will we visit, what time/ when do we depart? What activities do we do?

Write an email to respond your friend.

2. Have you been? I've just heard a Vietnamese singer's song. It's so good. And I want to know some information about music in Vietnam and your listening to music habit. What are kinds of music in Vietnam? What is the most popular/common kind of music in Vietnam? When do you usually listen to music? Where do you listen to music? Can you describe the last concert you watch?

Write an email to respond Helen. (at least 120 words)

- 3. Write an email for you friend and in this email, you describe your pet.
- 4. Write an email for your friend and tell him/her about your important coming exam.
- 5. You are living in London and your friend want to come to London to study and live. Write an email to answer questions of your friends about *the weather in London, dorm, nearby* shopping mall, and what clothes she/he should wear.
- 6. Write a feedback for a bus service.
- 7. Write an email for your friend to tell him/her about *your summer plan*.
- 8. Write an email for your friend to tell him/her about your trip to Hanoi in June.

Task 2 (at least 250 words)

- 1. There are more and more people deciding to leave developing country to work abroad (in other developed countries) after graduating in order to have new life and well-paid job. Which brings some negative effects to developing countries. Write an essay to give the effects of brain drain (human capital flight) and give suitable situations.
- **2.** The growing number of people asked the school to ban elementary students from using cell phones in school. While some parents believe that schools should let elementary students use cell phones in school.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

- **3.** Nowadays, children access the Internet too early. Write an essay to give the negative effects of using the Internet on children and give suitable solutions.
- **4.**what are effects of air pollution? and give suitable solutions.
- **5.** Some people think that learning only takes place at a certain time, in a certain space. There is another opinion that learning is the process of cultivating and training for a lifetime. Write an essay to express your opinion on these opinions.
- **6.** Some people like to travel alone. There is another opinion that traveling with a tour guide brings more benefits. Write an essay to express your opinion on these opinions.
- 7. Some people like to study in university. There are many people choosing study in vocational college (technical school/ trade school) which one do you choose/ prefer. Write an essay to express your opinion and use relevant examples to support your ideas.
- **8.** There is a view that children should read picture books. Do your agree or disagree with this opinion?
- **9.** Effects of deforestation
- 10. Causes and solutions of brain drain