## PHẦN 1: NGHE HIỂU – VSTEP

Thời gian: 40 phút Số câu hỏi: 35

**Directions:** In this section of the test, you will have an opportunity to demonstrate your ability to understand conversations and talks in English. There are three parts in this section with special directions for each part. Answer all the questions on the basis of what is stated or implied by the speakers in the recording.

There will be time for you to read the instructions and you will have a chance to check your work. The recording will be played ONCE only.

Time allowance: about 40 minutes, including 05 minutes to transfer your answers to your answer sheet.

#### PART 1: Questions 1-8

**Directions:** In this part, you will hear EIGHT short announcements or instructions. There is one question for each announcement or instruction. For each question, choose the right answer A, B, C or D. Then, on the answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer that you have chosen.

Now, let's listen to an example. On the recording, you will hear:

Woman: Hello. This is the travel agency returning your call. You left a message about the holiday you've booked, asking which meals are included in the cost during your stay at Sunny Hotel. Lunch and dinner are free but if you wish to have breakfast in the hotel, you will need to pay an extra amount of money, depending on what you order. Let me know if I can help you with any other information. Goodbye.

On the test book, you will read:

Which meal is NOT included in the price of the holiday?

A. Breakfast

B. Lunch

C. Dinner

D. All meals

The correct answer is A. Breakfast. Now, let's begin with the first question.

## Question 1: Why is the speaker apologizing?

- A. To schedule a checkup
- B. To delay a meeting
- C. To confirm an appointment
- D. To request some files

## Question 2: Why would Daniel Jergens like to reschedule the meeting?

- A. To satisfy a request from Barrier Associates
- B. To complete the purchase more quickly
- C. To reconsider the contract
- D. To avoid the severe weather condition

# Question 3: Why will the information technology division be relocating earlier?

- A. Because of an increase in staff
- B. Because of an interruption of network service
- C. Because of the full relocation
- D. Because of the high release costs

## Question 4: What is the message mainly about?

- A. A question about substituting order items
- B. A question about the number of the items
- C. The list of items that will be delivered
- D. The shipping service that will be used

## Question 5: What is the purpose of the talk?

- A. To address customer complaints
- B. To discuss a presentation
- C. To celebrate a new contract
- D. To hand out assignments

#### Question 6: Who most likely is the speaker?

A. A landlord

B. A business executive

C. A real estate agent

D. A police officer

### Question 7: What will be provided for the travelers?

A. A free flight

B. Meal vouchers

C. Winter clothing

D. Hotel rooms

### Question 8: What is the celebration for?

A. A merger

B. An anniversary

C. A new CEO

D. A stock offering

#### PART 2: Questions 9-20

**Directions:** In this part, you will hear THREE conversations. The conversations will not be repeated. There are four questions for each conversation. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

## Questions 9 to 12 refer to the following conversation.

## Question 9: Where most likely is the plumber now?

A. He is having lunch.

B. He is working somewhere else.

C. He is at home relaxing.

D. He is doing a favor for the man.

## Question 10: When is the plumber expected to arrive?

A. At one o'clock

B. At two o'clock

C. At three o'clock

D. At four o'clock

## Question 11: Where is the man going?

A. To meet a client

B. To talk to the plumber

C. To fix the pipe

D. To have lunch

### Question 12: When will the man come back to his office?

A. At one o'clock

B. At two o'clock

C. At three o'clock

D. At four o'clock

#### Questions 13 to 16 refer to the following conversation.

#### Question 13: When is the conference scheduled to take place?

A. Today

B. Tomorrow

C. Next week

D. Next month

#### Question 14: Why will John miss the conference?

- A. He is going on a business trip.
- B. He is taking a vacation in Europe.
- C. He has too much work.
- D. He has to review the videos.

#### Question 15: Where has the man just been to for a business trip?

A. Chicago

B. Toronto

C. Europe

D. Asia

#### Question 16: Why is the man thanking the woman?

- A. She offered to give him a ride.
- B. She will lend him her video recorder.
- C. She will go to the seminar in his place.
- D. She will record the sessions he wants to see.

#### Questions 17 to 20 refer to the following conversation.

#### Question 17: Where is the conversation most likely taking place?

A. In a truck

B. At the bus stop

C. In a warehouse

D. At an electronics store

#### Question 18: When will the computers arrive at the store?

A. In five minutes

B. In fifteen minutes

- C. By this evening
- D. By tomorrow morning

#### Question 19: Who most likely the man is?

A. A manager

B. A director

C. A secretary

D. A blue worker

## Question 20: What will the man do next?

A. Call the electronics shop

B. Talk to the truck driver

C. Turn on the computer

D. Lift some boxes

## PART 3: Questions 21-35

**Directions:** In this part, you will hear THREE talks, lectures or conversations. The talks, lectures, or conversations will not be repeated. There are five questions for each talk, lecture, or conversation. For each question, choose the right answer A, B, C or D.

## Questions 21 to 25 refer to the following lecture.

## Question 21: What is the main topic in this lecture?

- A. Russian leaders
- B. The Cold War
- C. The wars between the USSR and the US
- D. The impacts of the Cold War

# Question 22: Why did the US and the USSR never actually fight each other?

- A. Because the USSR had nuclear weapons.
- B. Because the US were afraid of Stalin.
- C. Because they did not want to destroy the world.
- D. Because nuclear power could destroy the US.

# Question 23: According to the professor, how long did the Cold War last?

A. Around 50 years

B. Around 60 years

C. Around 70 years

D. Around 80 years

## Question 24: What can be inferred from the lecture?

- A. The Cold War was caused by different opinions.
- B. The Cold War was a long, violent war between the US and USSR.

- C. The Cold War was an important time in history of the US and the USSR.
  - D. The Cold War changed the world dramatically.

#### Question 25. How does the professor describe the main topic?

- A. By comparing and contrasting
- B. By giving examples
- C. By listing the events chronologically
- D. By giving definitions

#### Questions 26-30 refer to the following lecture.

#### Question 26: What is the lecture mainly about?

- A. The way the eye sees colors
- B. The steps to paint in a Neo-Impressionism style
- C. The artists who learned from Seurat
- D. The difference between painting styles

## Question 27: What is the professor's opinion of this style of painting?

- A. He thinks painting in brush strokes is a better way.
- B. He is surprised that so many artists are good at it.
- C. He thinks it is difficult to learn.
- D. He doesn't like it.

## Question 28: According to the professor, why did Seurat not blend his paints?

- A. He thought it would ruin the paints.
- B. He thought mixed paints did not look real.
- C. He thought blended paints made paintings look too divided.
- D. He thought it would make the art bright.

## Question 29: What is true about Georges Seurat?

- A. He was the best artist at his time.
- B. He was proud of his painting style.

- C. He used brush strokes to make the pictures brighter.
- D. He didn't spend a lot of time finishing his paintings.

## Question 30: How did the professor organize the information about this way of painting?

- A. By describing only Seurat's style
- B. By describing only other styles
- C. By comparing Seurat and other Neo-Impressionists
- D. By comparing Neo-Impressionism and other styles

### Questions 31 to 35 refer to the following professor's talk.

#### Question 31: What is the lecture about?

- A. The feeding habits of snakes
- B. How certain snakes protect themselves
- C. The most dangerous snakes in the world
- D. The different uses of snake poison

## Question 32: Why does the professor discuss the beads on a rattlesnake's tail?

- A. To show how the rattlesnake is more dangerous than other snakes
  - B. To compare the rattlesnake to less scary animals
  - C. To explain how the rattlesnake scares off animals
  - D. To describe how the rattlesnake uses its tail to hunt

# Question 33: According to the professor, where does the spitting cobra spray its poison?

- A. At the animal it is hunting
- B. At other snakes
- . C. At the tongue of an animal that is attacking it
  - D. At the eyes of an animal that is attacking it

## Question 34: What is the professor's attitude towards the hognose snake?

- A. She is amazed by it.
- B. She thinks that it is stupid.
- C. She thinks that it is the best snake.
- D. She thinks that it is the most dangerous.

## Question 35: What can be inferred from the lecture?

- A. The spitting cobra rattles its tail.
- B. The hognose snake pretends to be sick.
- C. Beads in a rattlesnake's tail make the sound.
- D. There are no creatures that eat snakes.

THIS IS THE END OF THE LISTENING PAPER. NOW YOU HAVE 05 MINUTES TO TRANSFER YOUR ANSWERS TO YOUR ANSWER SHEET.