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Listening Section

A. Listen to the presentation on sleep and choose the correct answer.

1. The presentation will not cover the area

- a. How much sleep we need
- b. The types and stages of sleep
- c. Some problems with sleep in today's society
- d. The reasons why we need sleep

2. Most people spend aroundof their lives awake.

- a. 1/3
- b. 1/4
- c. 2/3
- d. 3/4

3. The amount of sleep that we need as we get older.

- a. falls
- b. increases
- c. rises
- d. goes up

4. A one-year-old baby needs about hours of sleep a day, a child of five needs about hours, and an adult aboutseven to eight hours

- a. 14 / 12/ 7-8
- b. 14 / 10/ 7-8
- c. 14 / 13/ 7/8
- d. 11 / 12/ 7-8

5. There are two types of sleep, known as sleep and sleep and most of our sleep is sleep.

- a. REM- NREM – NREM
- b. ERM- NREM -ERM
- c. REM- MREM -REM
- d. REM- NERM -NREM

6. Which sentence gives correct information about REM.?

- a. Brain activity falls to its lowest level
- b. It is about 80 percent of the sleeping pattern
- c. The eyes move rapidly and dreams occur
- d. It is about 1/3 of sleep time of babies

7. Which sentence gives correct information about NREM?

- a. Brain activity falls to its lowest level
- b. It is about 80 percent of the sleeping pattern
- c. It is about 1/3 of sleep time of babies
- d. All of above

8. REM sleep is about _____ of sleep time in babies, and about _____ of sleep time in adults.

- a. 1/2 - 1/5
- b. 1/3 - 2-6
- c. 1/2-1/5
- d. 1/3- 1/5

B. Listen to the second part of the presentation on sleep and choose the correct answer.

1. We can identify stages in a night's sleep.

- a. 2
- b. 4
- c. 5
- d. 6

2. Which sentence gives wrong information about REM sleep?

- a. REM sleep is very important for organizing our memories.
- b. REM sleep is important for making our memories stronger.
- c. REM sleep is the final stage of sleep.
- d. REM sleep helps to improve our learning.

3. NREM sleep is very important

- a. for making our memories stronger
- b. for organizing our memories
- c. because it helps us to improve our learning
- d. because our brains put together thoughts and experiences then

4. helps us sleeping well.

- a. Light
- b. The Internet
- c. 24-hour shopping
- d. Darkness

5. Because of 24/7 world, our days are becoming _____ and the nights _____ - and this could also damage our health, as we're not getting enough sleep.

- a. longer- longer
- b. longer- shorter
- c. shorter- longer
- d. shorter- shorter

7. Which sentence gives wrong information about sleep?

- a. We sleep less as we get older.
- b. some people need more sleep, others less.
- c. There are two types of sleep – NREM and REM
- d. Most sleep is REM

8. Which sentence gives correct information?

- a. There are five types of sleep – NREM and REM are just two of them.
- b. Most sleep is REM, and REM is when dreaming happens.
- a. Too much light and our modern way of life can have a negative impact on our sleeping patterns.
- b. Not having enough sleep cannot have a negative impact on our brains and our health.

Vocabulary Section

A. Choose the correct word to fill in the blanks.

The Greatest Escape?

Papillon is a true story about Henri Charrière known as Papillon. Charrière was a ¹ _____. He was ² _____ of murder and he was ³ _____ to life in prison in French Guiana, a country in South America. Charrière keeps⁴ _____ to escape from prison and after many years in prison, he manages to escape. The ⁵ _____ of the film was Franklin J. Scaffner. The film is definitely worth ⁶ _____

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|-----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. a. crime | b. robbery | c. criminal | d. steal |
| 2. a. accused | b. accuser | c. accusing | d. accusation |
| 3. a. taken | b. sentenced | c. put | d. committed |
| 4. a. try | b. tries | c. trying | d. to try |
| 5. a. direction | b. director | c. directing | d. directed |
| 6. a. watching | b. to watch | c. watch | d. to watching |

B. Choose the correct word to fill in the blanks.

7. ___ evidence of global warming, many people are still not taking the danger seriously.

- a. Although b. In spite of c. Instead of d. However

8. You should take quick showers ___ save water.

- a. in order to b. as a result c. so that d. so

9. I support a tax on air pollution ___ I think it would force companies to solve the problem.

- a. due to b. despite c. because d. because of

10. My company encourages its employees to use public transportation ___ driving their cars to work.

- a. in order to b. even though c. instead of d. despite

11. That lake isn't safe to swim in ___ the toxic chemicals in it.

- a. although b. because of c. in spite of d. despite

12. ___ an increase in recycling, garbage is still a major environmental problem.

- a. Despite b. Even though c. Because of d. Although

13. I'm going to use a fan instead of an air conditioner this summer ___ save electricity.

- a. so that b. to c. because d. so

14. ___ nuclear waste disposal is a problem, some countries still depend on nuclear power for electricity.

- a. Due to b. Even though c. In order to d. Because

15. A: Did your boss ___ to let you have the day off?

B: Yes, he did! I'm glad he said yes when I asked him.

- a. expect b. offer c. agree d. allow

16. Many people have ___ to fashion magazines so that they know what is in style.

- a. subscriptions b. makeovers c. hardcopy d. paperback

17. In many countries, it's not acceptable for people to ___, you know, to hug and kiss in front of other people.

- a. show affection in public b. stare at other people c. bow d. shake hands

18. A: I'm nervous about going to dinner with my girlfriend's parents.

B: I'm sure you'll ___ it OK, and you'll make a good impression on them.

- a. get the feeling of b. get through c. get out of d. get up

19. I'm glad our class is having a barbecue party. It's a good chance to ___ the other students.

- a. get to know b. get out of meeting c. get away with d. get through

20. Adam and Clara made a for March but they spent more than they planned.

- a. budget b. finance c. living d. loan

21. People who commit a crime for the first time often aren't put into jail. They are ___.

- a. sentenced b. arrested c. put on probation d. kidnaped

22. I was eating in a restaurant in New York when I looked up and saw a friend from home. What ___!

- a. a coincidence b. déjà vu c. an accident d. fortunate

23. The time we both gave each other the same CD as a present really ___ as a weird coincidence. I'll never forget it.

- a. sticks in my mind b. reads my mind c. experiences telepathy d. makes my mind

24. I was eating supper at my campsite when a complete stranger came and set up camp near me. It was nice ___. We told stories by the campfire.

- a. to have company b. to run into a friend c. to set up camp d. to put up a tent

25. My favorite jeans have a ___ in them. I wonder if a tailor can repair it.

- a. stain b. dent c. tear d. injury

26. My brother ___ a lot. I think he gets angry too easily.

- a. smiles b. loses his temper c. sulks d. sings

27. I told Barb I didn't like her jacket, and I think I hurt her feelings. I didn't mean to do that. However, I think that she's too ___.

- a. depressed b. sympathetic c. sensitive d. empathic

28. The final exam was a big _____ for most of the students. Only ten of them could pass the class.

- a. challenge b. bargain c. impress d. failure

29. My brother likes to ___. He buys new electronics as soon as they come out.

- a. do his own repairs b. have all the latest gadgets c. destroy his possessions d. recycle

30. I could not understand what he was trying to say. What he said did not _____ to me at all.

- a. clear b. make sense c. understandable d. get

Use of English

Choose the correct option

A.

Dear Mum and Dad,

Here I am in my new flat. Sorry I (1) _____ write earlier, but, of course, I was busy moving in and unpacking. I know I (2) _____ have gotten some help as you had advised me, because it was really tiring. Now, I just need to buy curtains and a few rugs to make the flat really homely. I couldn't find my toaster anywhere, I (3) _____ have left it behind in the old flat! I'll come to see you on Sunday 14th. I (4) _____ wait to eat your delicious apple pie! Anyway, I must go now, there's someone at the door. It (5) _____ be the plumber; he's going to install the washing machine. See you on Sunday.

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| 1. a. must | b. can | c. couldn't | d. might |
| 2. a. should | b. couldn't | c. must | d. would |
| 3. a. should | b. would | c. must | d. couldn't |
| 4. a. mustn't | b. can't | c. don't have to | d. may not |
| 5. a. can't | b. should | c. has to | d. must |

B.

Yesterday, I went with my family for a picnic at the beach. We took (1) _____ food, because we were all very hungry! First of all, we packed (2) _____ chocolate to eat in the car on the way to the beach. For the first course, we took (3) _____ soup and (4) _____ biscuits. We didn't have (5) _____ meat, so for the main course, we decided on chicken and salad sandwich for each person.

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| 1. a. a lot of | b. very little | c. none | d. a few |
| 2. a. a cube of | b. a loaf of | c. a can of | d. a bar of |
| 3. a. a couple of | b. some | c. many | d. few |
| 4. a. very little | b. a few | c. much | d. any |
| 5. a. many | b. a few | c. much | d. a number of |

C.

Dear Jacob,

By the time you receive this letter, I (1) _____ my final exams. You know I (2) _____ for a very long time and I think I need to rest now. I will start looking for a job at the end of the summer, but I (3) _____ enough experience so far, so I might have some difficulty in it. I (4) _____ for an internship at Alpha Engineering Company before the exams started. So I hope I (5) _____ for them this time next year. Wish me luck!

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|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. a. will be finishing | b. was finishing | c. finished | d. will have finished |
| 2. a. have been studying | b. study | c. am going to study | d. was studying |
| 3. a. don't have | b. didn't have | c. haven't had | d. haven't been having |
| 4. a. was applying | b. had applied | c. have applied | d. apply |
| 5. a. will be working | b. will have worked | c. am working | d. have been working |

D.

Jason: What is the matter with you, Anne? You seem to be very sleepy and tired.

Anne: I overate last night, so I couldn't sleep well. If I (1) _____ so much, I (2) _____ a sweet sleep.

Jason: Do you know that we have English exam the day after tomorrow?

Anne: Yes, but you know I am not good at English, so I am afraid of taking bad mark.

Jason: Well, if you (3) _____ harder, you (4) _____ better marks.

Anne: Yeah, my mother always says: "If you try hard enough, you (6) _____ always _____ what you want."

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| 1. a. hadn't eaten | b. wouldn't eat | c. didn't eat | d. don't eat |
| 2. a. will have | b. would have | c. have | d. would have had |
| 3. a. will study | b. studied | c. have studied | d. study |
| 4. a. get | b. will get | c. would get | d. would have got |
| 5. a. --- / get | b. would / get | c. could / get | d. will / get |

E.

You want a job? Stop there. It's not that easy. Most of the companies today are hiring their stuff after examining and evaluating them in a job interview. The first thing you should prepare (1)_____ an honest and efficient resume. Your potential boss would like to know (2) _____ you are reliable, self-motivated, flexible and really suitable for the position. (3) _____ they also look for will be your smart outlook, a smiling face and positive attitude. No boss wants to see sulky faces in the company.

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| 1. a. are | b. is | c. to be | d.--- |
| 2. a. if | b. what | c. how much | d. to |
| 3. a. Why | b. When | c. Whether | d. What |

F.

All the people who had already seen "Titanic" said it (1) _____ great. Therefore, I decided to take Liz and Tony to the cinema to see the movie together. After coming back home, I asked them (2) _____ they liked it. They (2) _____ they loved it. However, I felt a little disappointed. Yet, I didn't want to ruin their "movie day", so I said, "I loved it, too".

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| 1. a. was | b. must be | c. will be | d. has been |
| 2. a. what | b. if | c. why | d. did |
| 3. a. told | b. asked | c. said | d. wanted to know |

G.

The new bridge which links two continents (1) _____ since last August. Engineers working on this bridge project say only a couple of parts (2) _____, so the bridge will be opened to traffic soon. Majority of the people agrees that some rules (3) _____ particularly for this new bridge to be able to avoid traffic problems. People say one of the rules must be on speeding. For instance, if someone (4) _____ speeding, he should be fined a huge amount so that people avoid speeding while driving on the bridge.

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|----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. a. was built | b. has built | c. has been built | d. is being built |
| 2. a. need to fix | b. need fixing | c. need to fixing | d. need fixed |
| 3. a. should set | b. must be set | c. have to set | d. don't have to be set |
| 4. a. will be caught | b. catches | c. is catching | d. gets caught |

H.

On the first page of a book, an author thanks the people _____ help him while writing his book. These words are the last ones _____ the author writes for the book, although they are always on the first page. The next page _____ gives information about the story of the book is called preface page. Then the story begins.

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| a. who | b. which | c. -- | d. whose |
| a. who | b. -- | c. where | d. when |
| a. -- | b. who | c. that | d. whose |

I.

John Brown was a math teacher in Garfield High School in Los Angeles. He was very strict. He (1) _____ his students do too much homework, and take daily quizzes. He also didn't (2)_____ his students to waste their free time doing useless things, so he got the gym teacher of the school (3) _____ his students after school so that they would do sports instead of vandalizing.

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|---------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. a. made | b. got | c. let | d. helped |
| 2. a. have | b. want | c. make | d. let |
| 3. a. trained | b. train | c. training | d. to train |

J.

Jerry and Lisa had a traffic accident last year. Jerry was driving too (1) ____ and lost the control of the car. He opened his eyes in a hospital with a broken leg and learned that Lisa wasn't (2) ____ injured, either. However, their car wasn't as (3) ____ as they were. It was badly damaged and they had to pay too much to get it fixed. After that bad experience, Jerry promised that next time he would drive more (4) ____.

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|----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1. a. fastly | b. faster | c. fast | d. fastest |
| 2. a. serious | b. seriously | c. bad | d. very |
| 3. a. lucky | b. luckier | c. luckiest | d. luckily |
| 4. a. careless | b. carefully | c. careful | d. carelessly |

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Reading Section

A. Read the following text and choose the best choice.

The Mail Must Go Through

Letters have always been an important way for people to communicate. In the early days of American history, there was a great distance between population centers. People lived in the East, and people lived in the West. There were only a few cities in between. However, people in Boston, Massachusetts, wanted to communicate with family and friends in San Francisco, California. Letters and small packages were carried on ships, but the ships sailed around South America, a trip of several months. People wanted a faster way to communicate.

On April 3, 1860, the Pony Express began. The Pony Express carried mail between Saint Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California. The Pony Express had 400 fast horses and 80 young men to ride the horses. The mail went by train as far as Saint Joseph. From there horseback riders carried it. A typical rider was a young man. In fact, often he was still a teenager. He carried the mail in a leather saddlebag. He rode the horse very fast for 12 miles, or 18 kilometers. Then he changed horses and rode a fresh horse to the next station. The riders could change horses in about two minutes! There were 190 stations for the Pony Express. They were 12 to 35 miles apart. Each rider rode about 75 miles, or 121 kilometers. A fresh rider waited for the tired rider at the end of his ride. Then this new rider took the mail and a rested horse to the next station.

The Pony Express riders rode day and night. They rode in the rain and the snow. They had a very exciting and sometimes dangerous job. Their motto was "The mail must go through". The distance between Saint Joseph and Sacramento is 1,966 miles, or 3,164 kilometers. Mail took ten days or less by Pony Express. The horsemen could travel much faster than ships. However, in October of 1861, after just eighteen months, the Pony Express ended. The telegraph system between the east and west coasts started. Technology then carried information faster than men and horses of the Pony Express did.

1. _____ riders carried the mail between Saint Joseph and Sacramento.

- a. Four hundred b. Eighteen c. Eighty d. 40

2. The Pony Express ended after _____ years.

- a. 75 b. 12 c. one and a half d. 121

3. The mail reached _____ in ten days by Pony Express.

- a. America b. Sacramento c. Boston d. Massachusetts

4. The typical Pony Express rider was _____.

- a. from Boston b. a young woman c. from Missouri d. a young man

5. At a station, a rider always _____

- a. picked up more letters b. stopped to rest c. got a refreshment c. got a fresh horse

6. The motto of the Pony Express was _____

- a. "The mail must go through."
b. "Saint Joseph, to Sacramento in ten days."
c. "Pony Express riders go day and night."
d. "Pony Express riders ride only at night."

7. The main idea of the reading:

- a. The Pony Express ended in 1861.
b. Those were the good times for horsemen
c. The Pony Express carried mail between Saint Joseph and Sacramento.
d. Information travels faster by telegraph than by horse or ship.

B. Read the following text and choose the best choice

Japanese Culture

1 Japan is an unusual mixture of traditional and ultra-modern. Although it looks quite western, it is still oriental in many ways.

Traditional Life Style

2 A lot of Japanese households consist of both, one or more traditional Japanese style rooms with tatami floors and modern rooms that usually have wooden floors. Tatami mats on the floors are made of straw and measure roughly 180 cm x 90 cm. You should always take off your slippers and step on tatami mats only in socks or **barefoot** in order to protect **them** from damage. In traditional homes, people sleep on the floor on a "futon" mattress which is laid on the floor only during the night and kept in a closet during the daytime so the bedroom can then also function as a living or dining room. To relax at the end of a hard day, they enjoy a long soak bath in the "ofuro" – the traditional Japanese hot bath, which is usually next to the kitchen.

Food and Eating

3 In Japan, some restaurants and private houses have Japanese style tables and cushions on the floor. In a traditional Japanese house, a visitor should also expect to eat on the floor on a cushion in front of a low table. The Japanese usually eat with chopsticks but they have knives and forks for visitors. The Japanese say that food must be tasted with the eyes before **it** is tasted with the mouth. The Japanese cuisine offers a great variety of dishes and regional specialties such as rice dishes, seafood dishes, noodle dishes and soy bean dishes. Rice dishes have been the most important food in the Japanese cuisine. Despite changes in eating patterns over the last decades and slowly decreasing rice consumption in recent years, rice remains one of the most important ingredients in Japan today, and can be found in numerous dishes. Sushi is the most famous Japanese dish outside of Japan, and one of the most popular dishes among the Japanese themselves who usually enjoy sushi on special occasions. The Japanese have a tea ceremony called Sado. It is a ritual way of preparing and drinking tea. The custom has been strongly influenced by Zen Buddhism. Nowadays, the tea ceremony is a relatively popular kind of hobby. Many Japanese, who are interested in their own culture, take tea ceremony lessons with a teacher. Tea ceremonies are held in traditional Japanese rooms in cultural community centers or private houses.

Traditional Japanese dresses

4 Kimonos are traditional Japanese clothing. Kimonos are made of silk and are usually very expensive. Nowadays, they are worn at formal or traditional occasions, such as funerals, weddings or tea ceremonies. Kimonos can still rarely be seen in life. Kimonos differ in style and color depending on the occasion on which they are worn and the age and marital status of the person wearing them. To put on a kimono needs some practice. Especially tying the belt (obi) alone is difficult so many people require assistance. Wearing a kimono properly includes proper hair style, traditional shoes, socks, and a small handbag for women.

1. According to the text which of the following is false?

- a. The Japanese believe that one should watch the food before eating.
- b. The Japanese use less rice than they did before.
- c. It is still possible to see the effects of Zen Buddhism in tea ceremonies in Japan today.
- d. You can see many Japanese women wearing kimonos in the streets.

2. In traditional Japanese homes, _____.

- a. the floors are made of straw
- b. the mattresses are on beds
- c. the bathrooms are outside the house
- d. people sit on a cushion at a low table while eating

3. What does 'them' refer to in paragraph 2?

- a. tatami floor
- b. tatami mats
- c. slippers
- d. wooden floors

4. What does 'it' refer to in paragraph 3?

- a. style table
- b. cushion
- c. the food
- d. low table

5. What does 'barefoot' mean in paragraph 2 ?

- a. socks on your feet
- b. without anything on your feet
- c. slippers on your feet
- d. steps

6. Find the word which means 'becoming less' in paragraph 3?

- a. decades
- b. consumption
- c. decreasing
- d. cuisine

7. Futons are kept in closets because _____

- a. they use them during the daytime
- b. they use the bedroom as a living room or dining room
- c. the bedroom can't also function as a living room or dining room
- d. to relax at the end of a hard day

8. Sados take place _____

- a. in modern houses
- b. in temples
- c. in cultural community centers
- d. ceremony hall

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WRITING

A. Write a suitable topic sentence for the paragraph below. Use the blanks provided. (1 point)

_____.
Families used to be large, and most mothers stayed home to take care of the children. They were usually entirely responsible for all the housework, too. Fathers did not often see the children, except to play with them on the weekends. Now that families are smaller and many women are working, this has changed somewhat. Fathers often help with the housework. More importantly, they can be much more involved in the lives of their children. They may feed and dress their children and take them to school in the mornings.

B. Write a suitable supporting sentence for the following paragraph. (1 point)

All clouds are composed of many little drops of water but not all clouds are alike. There are three kinds of clouds. Cirrus clouds are one kind. These are made of ice drops. They look soft and light. Second, _____, They are large and deep and flat on the bottom. We usually see cumulus clouds on warm summer days. Finally, there are stratus clouds, which cover the whole sky. These clouds make the sky gray, and the sun does not shine at all.

C. Write a suitable concluding sentence for the following paragraph. (1 point)

The train is a popular way of transportation for several reasons. Some people use the train to go work every day. It is faster and easier than driving a car. People also use the train for touristic purposes. Tourists often travel by train when they go on vacation. In European countries, for example, the train is a good way to visit different cities. Some people take the train because it is safer than cars or buses. In conclusion, _____.

D. Find the irrelevant sentences in the paragraphs below. Write the numbers of the irrelevant sentences in the blanks given. (0,5pt. each; 2 pts.)

I. (1) Galileo Galilei was one of the first modern scientists. **(2)** He was born in Pisa, Italy, in 1564. **(3)** At first, he studied philosophy, but later he studied mathematics and astronomy. **(4)** Mathematics was more difficult than astronomy. **(5)** He was interested in the way the Earth and other planets move around the sun. **(6)** The Earth is lighter than Saturn, which is the least dense planet. **(7)** He discovered some important facts about our world. **(8)** He also started a new method of working in science. **(9)** Before Galileo, scientists did not do experiments. **(10)** They just guessed about how something happened. **(11)** Galileo was different because he did experiments and watched to see their results.

Irrelevant sentences: _____ & _____

II. (1) Anxiety frequently expresses itself in two types of behavior known as obsessions and compulsions. **(2)** Obsessions are recurring thoughts that the person cannot seem to get out of mind. **(3)** There are also phobias, which induce unnecessary fear of some idea or object. **(4)** For example, a young man who thinks continuously about the possible death of his parents is suffering from an obsession. **(5)** Compulsions, on the other hand, are recurring activities that a person must perform to avoid anxiety. **(6)** A woman who insists on washing her hands every few minutes even though her hands are not dirty is showing compulsive behavior. **(7)** Washing hands frequently irritates the skin and makes the hands look ugly.

Irrelevant sentences: _____ & _____

E. Write an OPINION PARAGRAPH on ONE of the following topics. Don't forget to include a suitable title, topic sentence, at least 3 supporting sentences & details, and a concluding sentence in your paragraph.

1. Attendance shouldn't be compulsory at prep schools.
2. Is it good to go to a university in another city away from home?
3. Rural areas in Turkey can't be developed without stopping migration.
4. What are the most known advantages of public transportation in Turkey?
5. What are the most known disadvantages of public transportation in Turkey?
6. What are the advantages of staying in a dormitory?
7. What are the disadvantages of staying in a dormitory?
8. What are the effects of cell phones on our lives?
9. What are the possible solutions of the problem of unemployment in Turkey?
10. What are the causes of stress among university students?
11. Do you think university students should/shouldn't have part-time jobs?