# Select Readings, Second Edition Pre-Intermediate, GEPT-Style Final

#### **INCOMPLETE SENTENCES**

Beneath each sentence, you will see four words or phrases, marked A, B, C and D. You are to choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_ eating foods like white bread, potatoes, and white rice, many doctors think people should eat foods like whole wheat bread and brown rice.
  - A. However
  - B. Meanwhile
  - C. Instead of
  - D. Otherwise

2. Jae-hyuk is so tired from running to class \_\_\_\_\_\_ he can't concentrate.

- A. that
- B. which
- C. although
- D. because
- 3. By the time she was twelve, the violinist \_\_\_\_\_\_ with orchestras all over the world as a soloist.
  - A. plays
  - B. has played
  - C. had played
  - D. will be playing
- 4. The sound of chants, cheering, drums, and trumpets continues nonstop \_\_\_\_\_\_ a baseball game in Japan.
  - A. throughout
  - B. often
  - C. whenever
  - D. while

5. Taroko Gorge is one of the most frequently visited natural \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Taiwan.

- A. wonders
- B. tourists
- C. heritage
- D. traditions

6. Use your mobile phone only when you really need \_\_\_\_\_, and keep your telephone calls short.

- A. talk
- B. to
- C. call
- D. one

## **TEXT COMPLETION**

The following passage contains four missing words or phrases. You are to choose the best answer for each missing word or phrase.

# FUTURE OF MARKETING CONFERENCE EARLY REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Dear Member,

Thank you for (7) the FUTURE OF MARKETING CONFERENCE last month. We hope you enjoyed the experience.

Next year's FUTURE OF MARKETING CONFERENCE will be held in beautiful New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, and will take place March 3–6 at the City Convention Center. Based (8) the success of this year's conference, we are opening registration early. Visit our home page for more information.

There has already been an explosion of traffic on our website already regarding next year's conference, so reserve your place early, before it's sold out.

We are pleased to announce that next year's main guest speaker (9) futurist and inventor Samuel Chen. Dr. Chen will be talking about social media and its impact on customer decision-making. Dr. Chen's upcoming book, *Planning for Privacy*, will be available on November 1, and we're taking pre-orders on our site. The first 500 (10) who pre-order the book and complete our 5-minute survey will receive signed copies of the book, so don't delay.

- 7. A. attend
  - B. attending
  - C. attended
  - D. attendance
- 8. A. for
  - B. to
  - C. in
  - D. on
- 9. A. will be
  - B. to be
  - C. was to be
  - D. will have been
- 10. A. competitions
  - B. communities
  - C. challenges
  - D. customers

### **READING COMPREHENSION**

The following passage is followed by five questions, each with four choices: A, B, C and D. You are to choose the best answer to each question on the basis of what is stated or implied in the passage.

# Nachos

Over the years, nachos have become one of the most popular snacks in the United States and many places around the world. Consisting of *tortilla chips* topped with cheese, and often a variety of other things, nachos are usually eaten as an appetizer or snack, or sometimes even as a whole meal. Usually eaten by hand, they can be shared by many people.

Like many other delicious dishes, nachos were invented accidentally; chef Ignacio "Nacho" Anaya threw together a dish using leftover ingredients he had on hand. In 1943, Anaya was the head cook at the Victory Club in the Mexican city of Coahuila. One day after the restaurant had closed, several American wives from the nearby U.S. military base came in for dinner. Seeing nothing but tortillas and cheese, Anaya had to think fast. Anaya cut a few tortillas into triangles and fried them. He then topped these with cheese and jalapeño peppers. He served the dish, calling it *Nacho's especiales*—meaning something like Nacho's "special dish" in Spanish.

Those first nachos were such a hit, that the recipe was added to the menu of the Victory Club and is still used to this day. The dish gained popularity among Americans fast. And in just a few years, nachos had already became a sensation.

- 11. Where did the name "nachos" come from, according to the reading?
  - A. The name of the man who invented them
  - B. The Victory Club
  - C. The Mexican city of Coahuila
  - D. American wives from the U.S. miltary base
- 12. Why does the reading say nachos were invented accidentally?
  - A. Anaya didn't like to follow recipes from cookbooks.
  - B. Anaya created them for some customers using what he had on hand one day.
  - C. Anaya made a mistake when he was cutting the tortillas.
  - D. Anaya fried the tortillas instead of baking them.
- 13. Which of the following is true about nacho toppings?
  - A. They can be a variety of things.
  - B. They must contain cheese only.
  - C. They must contain cheese and peppers.
  - D. They must be made of leftovers.
- 14. What can we infer from the reading?
  - A. Nachos did not become popular until Anaya added peppers to them.
  - B. Anaya followed a recipe when he made the first nachos.
  - C. Nachos became popular quickly because Americans liked them.
  - D. Nachos were very popular with Mexicans before Americans tried them.
- 15. According to the reading, how are nachos usually eaten?
  - A. With leftovers

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B. SpicyC. As mealD. By hand