

1. ( A ) Studying English \_\_\_\_\_ very important.  
(A) is (B) am (C) are (D) can
2. ( B ) It is difficult for them \_\_\_\_\_ this story.  
(A) understand (B) to understand (C) understood(D) understanding
3. ( D ) \_\_\_\_\_ in the meadow is so wonderful.  
(A) Picnic (B) Picnics (C) Picnicked (D) Picnicking
4. ( C ) Chloe: How long did it take Stella to walk \_\_\_\_\_ the bridge  
\_\_\_\_\_ the convenience store  
(A) over; at (B) to; in (C) from; to (D) on; to
- 5.( C ) The doll only \_\_\_\_\_ twenty dollars.  
(A) takes (B) spends (C) costs (D) pays
6. ( A ) It \_\_\_\_\_ me two hours to finish this work.  
(A) takes (B) spends (C) costs (D) pays
7. ( C ) It won't \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of money to buy that pizza.  
(A) take (B) spend (C) cost (D) pay
8. ( C ) I am planning \_\_\_\_\_ a new bike next week.  
(A)to take (B) to spend (C) to buy (D)to pay
9. ( B ) My father \_\_\_\_\_ five hundred dollars on his new watch.  
(A) took (B) spent (C) cost (D) paid
10. ( A ) We need to talk about the problem. Is ten o' clock \_\_\_\_\_ for you?  
(A) convenient (B) worry (C) expensive (D) modern
11. ( B ) The old man lives with his dog in a small \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) department (B) apartment (C) foreign (D) price

### Convenient Taipei

How do visitors get around in Taipei when they come to this city? Taxis are convenient but maybe too expensive. Taking a bus is less expensive but not as convenient because traffic can be a nightmare sometimes. Can visitors travel around Taipei in a cheap and convenient way? Yes, by taking the metro.

Taking the metro is very convenient for visitors. The stations are close to many famous places around the city. For example, there are stations near Taipei 101, Shilin Night Market, and Tamsui Old Street. It only takes a little time and money to travel from one place to another. Besides, it's very clean and comfortable. Visitors can do some reading or get some sleep on the metro between stations.

Taipei is a wonderful city to spend time in. Visitors can enjoy their stay with its convenient and safe metro ride.

12. ( C ) Where might people read this article?
- (A) In storybooks.
  - (B) On train tickets.
  - (C) In travel guide books.
  - (D) In cellphone messages.
13. ( A ) According to the reading, why can visitors enjoy their stay in Taipei?
- (A) Because the metro is safe and convenient.
  - (B) Because the city is very clean and comfortable.
  - (C) Because there are many famous places in the city.
  - (D) Because there are many ways to travel around the city

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14. ( C ) Which is NOT true?
- (A) It is very safe around these houses.
  - (B) The houses are next to the bus station.
  - (C) It's easy to go shopping near the houses.
  - (D) There is a garden and a swimming pool next to every house.
15. ( A ) What does Kevin sell?
- (A) Houses.
  - (B) Gardens.
  - (C) Swimming pools.
  - (D) Strong materials for making houses.