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考試科目：英文

注意事項

- 一、所有的答案都必須寫在答案卷上；寫在本試題卷上不予計分。
- 二、本試題卷必須與答案卷一併繳回。
- 三、禁止使用任何型式的字典。

Part One: Test on General English (共 50 小題，每小題 1 分)

I. Vocabulary

For each of the following questions, choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

1. You must ask _____ before taking any photographs inside the church.
(A) allowance (B) favor (C) permission (D) license
2. Although the Olympic Games is meant to bring together the athletes of the world in peaceful competition, it has been _____ by political tensions.
(A) affected (B) blessed (C) embroiled (D) involved
3. Though certain areas of Mexico City suffer from high levels of crime, the centre is _____ safe for tourists.
(A) warned (B) statistically (C) recommended (D) relatively
4. I am honored to accept this award _____ our departed director.
(A) in light of (B) on behalf of (C) on account of (D) because of
5. Many parents try to discourage their offspring from _____ a career in the music business because they feel that the chances of their son or daughter becoming a highly-paid star are extremely slim.
(A) embarking on (B) drawing on (C) capitalizing on (D) commenting on
6. Peter did not have anywhere to stay so David _____ for a few days.
(A) put him on (B) put him over (C) put him up (D) put him across
7. The Omanis are _____ people, striving to make their country prosperous.
(A) economic (B) industrious (C) complacent (D) extravagant

8. It's always _____ to read a contract properly before signing it.
(A) apprehensive (B) gruesome (C) dogmatic (D) prudent
9. She felt _____ embarrassment at his rude behavior.
(A) superficial (B) acute (C) tentative (D) erratic
10. He was determined to _____ the achievements of his older brothers. He wanted to be better than all of them.
(A) alter (B) sustain (C) disclose (D) surpass

II. Grammar

A. Error Recognition

In each question four words or expressions are underlined. Choose the one that contains an error.

11. The first global pollution convention was held in Hong Kong and it was attended
(A) (B) (C)
by scientists from over the world.
(D)
12. The wooden fence surrounded the factory was beginning to deteriorate from rain.
(A) (B) (C) (D)
13. The majority of the residents of Westville stick with their banks regardless
(A) (B) (C)
whether they offer the best deal.
(D)
14. Never look straightly at the sun. Any damage to the retina could cause
(A) (B) (C) (D)
permanent blindness.
15. More experiments on more lymphoma-bearing mice followed, and the doses
(A)
likely to achieve the best effect was assessed with great care.
(B) (C) (D)

B. Incomplete Sentences

Read the sentences and select the most appropriate word or phrase from the choices provided.

16. We are sending you what we have now and _____ the remainder as soon as it arrives.
(A) will have shipped (B) will ship (C) shipped (D) shipping
17. A chart _____ the employees' wages was found posted on the lobby bulletin board.
(A) lists (B) listed (C) listing (D) to list
18. Nowadays, teachers are expected to have a university degree _____ the subject they teach.
(A) in (B) of (C) for (D) on
19. Mr. Griffin is well known for saying _____ comes to his mind.
(A) anything (B) everyone (C) whatever (D) anymore
20. I _____ my blanket down on the cool grass under a big tree and was _____ face-down on the blanket when I felt a wasp land on the back of my ankle.
(A) laid ... lying (B) lied ... laying
(C) lay ... lying (D) lain ... laying

III. Cloze

There are two cloze passages below. Each contains five questions. Select the best answer for each question.

Passage 1

Despite our complex language skills, the face is still our primary means of communication. It is precisely because our faces are so complex in appearance, that we can easily 21 a friend in a crowd or attempt to check the trustworthiness of a stranger. 22, our ability to recognize faces quickly, in all sorts of circumstances, is arguably our most important and remarkable visual skill. 23 its very elastic skin, animated by a complex musculature capable of an enormous range of 24 movements, the human face can quickly display a whole array of contrasting emotions. As a result of evolution, we can read faces, making judgments about them based on our experience, without effort and without anything 25 said.

21. (A) peek (B) glimpse (C) spot (D) glance
22. (A) Indeed (B) Still (C) Really (D) Anyway
23. (A) In spite of (B) Thanks to (C) In case of (D) With a view to
24. (A) intransigent (B) insatiable (C) invincible (D) intricate
25. (A) to be (B) but being (C) being (D) be

Passage 2

It is easy to recognize a college student because he or she is carrying books and usually wearing old jeans and a T-shirt. You will not see a college student driving a new car. 26, you will see him or her at a bus stop or on a bicycle. And at mealtimes, a college student is more likely to be eating a slice of pizza than dining in a fine restaurant. Very few college students have extra money to spend 27 cars, clothes, or good food. There are two main reasons why being poor is an unavoidable part of the college experience.

The first reason college students are poor is that they cannot work full-time. An eighteen-year-old is an adult with the needs and wants of an adult; 28, if that young person is taking courses at a university or a community college, he must spend as much time as possible studying. 29, the student has to sacrifice the extra money that a job would provide in order to have the freedom to concentrate on classes.

A second reason college students have little money is that they have other expenses that working adults do not have. A college student must pay tuition fees every semester. A full-time student takes at least three classes each semester, and the fees for these classes can cost thousands of dollars per year. Also, students need to buy several expensive textbooks each semester. A single textbook can cost 30 a hundred dollars. Other necessary expenses include computers, paper, pens, notebooks, and other items needed for school projects.

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| 26. (A) In other words | (B) Instead | (C) Meanwhile | (D) Thus |
| 27. (A) in | (B) for | (C) on | (D) with |
| 28. (A) moreover | (B) as a result | (C) otherwise | (D) however |
| 29. (A) Therefore | (B) Besides | (C) In contrast | (D) In fact |
| 30. (A) as many as | (B) as little as | (C) as much as | (D) as few as |

IV. Reading Comprehension

In this part you will read a selection of passages. Each passage is followed by several questions. Select the best answer for each question.

Passage 1

For coverage under this limited warranty, proof of the date and place of purchase must be submitted. The easiest way to do this is to complete the attached warranty card and mail it now.

If warranty service is needed, contact our customer service department at the address or phone number below. If defects appear under normal use, Umbrellas Unlimited will replace the product free of charge.

This warranty does not apply to damage that has been caused by customer abuse. Also,

present color technology does not enable us to warrant against color fading over time. We suggest that the golf umbrella be stored away from direct sunlight when not in use.

The warranty is good for three years. Umbrella Unlimited will not, under any circumstances, be liable for injury caused by misuse of any product. This warranty is not applicable outside the USA.

31. What must a customer do to activate the warranty?
- (A) Fill in the warranty card and mail it.
 - (B) Obtain the retailer's proof of the date and place of purchase.
 - (C) Register online.
 - (D) Call the customer service department.
32. What is implied about color fading?
- (A) It can be caused by damage to the umbrella.
 - (B) It has not been reported to have happened.
 - (C) It is guaranteed not to happen.
 - (D) It may occur over time.
33. What is NOT true about the company's warranty?
- (A) It does not cover damage due to customer abuse.
 - (B) It is in effect for three years.
 - (C) It is honored worldwide.
 - (D) It promises replacement of defective products.

Passage 2

There are two ways to price items: subjectively and objectively.

A subjectively priced item is based either on what the seller perceives it is worth or what the seller thinks someone will pay for it. Generally these items have an aesthetic, rather than a utilitarian, value. Retailers of subjectively priced items include artists, some highly skilled craftspeople, and sellers of antiques and collectibles. An objectively priced item, on the other hand, is priced according to some concrete formula based on its actual cost to produce.

Almost all traditional retailers, from the corner grocer to the new car dealer, sell objectively priced items.

When buying a subjectively priced item, first analyze your needs and weigh your options. This is accomplished by answering three questions: *What do I want?* *Is it worth my money?* and *Is it important to me?*

34. According to the passage, how do subjectively and objectively priced items differ?
- (A) Objectively priced items are usually more expensive.
 - (B) Subjectively priced items have an aesthetic value.
 - (C) Objectively priced items are less utilitarian.
 - (D) Subjectively priced items are more common.

35. What is implied about antiques?
- (A) They are priced subjectively.
 - (B) They were probably made by skilled craftspeople.
 - (C) They are sometimes overpriced.
 - (D) Their prices go up and down.
36. What can be inferred about most traditional retailers?
- (A) They set their prices based on what they perceive consumers will pay.
 - (B) They set prices using a formula based on the cost to produce their goods.
 - (C) They tend to make higher profits than nontraditional retailers.
 - (D) They tend to analyze the needs of their customers.
37. The word *weigh* as used in line 9 of the passage is closest in meaning to _____.
- (A) decide
 - (B) count
 - (C) evaluate
 - (D) reduce

Passage 3

High pressure moving across northern Mexico will funnel cooler air down the Northwest Coast. Temperatures will be at least 3 to 6 degrees lower throughout Baja, California, and Sonora. The cooler air will not reach the Southwest, where temperatures will soar past 32, some 6 degrees above normal. Because of low humidity and a stable atmosphere, afternoon thunderstorms are unlikely. Dry conditions will also persist across Durango.

A low-pressure system will move slowly east through the northeastern region of Mexico today, spreading showers and heavy thunderstorms across Coahuila and Nuevo Leon. Winds from the north behind this system will dislodge a pool of cold air over Texas. The leading edge of this chilled air will reach Monterrey later today, but the core of the cold air will not arrive until midweek. A cold front trailing this low-pressure system will push showers and thunderstorms across the Chihuahua and Durango later today. Showers may form as far west as the eastern slopes of the Sierra Madre.

38. What conditions will northwestern Mexico experience?
- (A) Cool air
 - (B) Rain
 - (C) Low humidity
 - (D) Dry conditions
39. Where will temperatures be higher than usual?
- (A) Baja, California
 - (B) Sonora
 - (C) The Southwest
 - (D) The northeastern region
40. When will the majority of the cold air from Texas reach Monterrey?
- (A) The morning
 - (B) Later that afternoon
 - (C) The next day
 - (D) Midweek

Passage 4

Who becomes wealthy? Usually the wealthy individual is a businessman who has

lived in the same town for all his adult life. This person owns a small factory, a chain of stores, or a service company. He has married once and remains married. He lives next door to people with much less money. He is a compulsive saver and investor. And he has made his money on his own. Eighty percent of America's millionaires are first-generation rich.

Affluent people typically follow a lifestyle conducive to accumulating money. In the course of our investigations, we discovered seven features among those who successfully build wealth.

1. They live well below their means.
 2. They allocate their time, energy, and money efficiently, in ways conducive to building wealth.
 3. They believe that financial independence is more important than displaying high social status.
 4. Their parents did not allow them to become financially dependent.
 5. Their adult children are economically self-sufficient.
 6. They are good at finding opportunities to make money.
 7. They chose the right job or career.
41. Which of the following is the best title for this passage?
- (A) Shortcuts to Financial Independence
 - (B) The Millionaire Next Door
 - (C) Like Father, Like Son
 - (D) How to Get Rich Overnight
42. According to this passage, wealthy people in America _____.
- (A) lead an extravagant lifestyle
 - (B) were born with a silver spoon in their mouth
 - (C) spend much less than they earn
 - (D) always try to make both ends meet
43. The word "conductive" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.
- (A) helpful
 - (B) contrary
 - (C) careful
 - (D) economical
44. Which of the following statements is NOT supported by this passage?
- (A) Most millionaires in America help themselves build wealth.
 - (B) Most millionaires in America cannot stop saving money and investing their savings.
 - (C) Most millionaires in America not only work hard but they also work smart.
 - (D) Most millionaires in America travel extensively for chances to make money.
45. Which of the following best describes the author's tone in this passage?

- (A) informative (B) sarcastic (C) humorous (D) subjective

Passage 5

Inspired to save? I hope so. But maybe you're wondering where the money will come from. I put my head together with Jeff Yeager, author of *The Ultimate Cheapskate's Road Map to True Riches*, to suggest five places to start.

Limit trips to the supermarket. Every time you walk through those automatic doors, you're bombarded with opportunities for an impulsive buy, and you may walk out with at least one or two things not on your list. Try to make one big trip a week. **Savings:** If you make four trips a week and spend \$10 extra each time, cut three to save \$120 a month.

Coupons aren't just for groceries anymore. You can find coupons for movies, restaurants, and even clothing stores. **Savings:** If your family dines out twice a month at \$75 a meal, you'll save \$180 a year with ten-percent-off coupons.

Audit your bills. Call your wireless provider once a year to make sure you're on the best plan. Do the same with your cable, internet, and long-distance providers. Bundling all three usually nets a discount. **Savings:** Several hundred dollars a year.

Use public transportation or carpool. You'll save on petrol, maintenance and even parking. **Savings:** If you commute 25 kilometers round-trip each day, save about \$100 a month by alternating driving each week with a friend.

Consolidate your plugs. Between five and fifteen percent of the power used by electronics is consumed when they're turned off. Plug your TV, DVD player, cable box, and home entertainment system into a power strip or surge protector, then unplug *it* at night and when you're not home. **Savings:** If your electric bill runs \$120 a month, you'll save up to \$216 a year.

46. Which of the following is the best title for this passage?
- (A) A Miss Is as Good as a Mile
(B) The Early Bird Catches the Worm
(C) Ways to Stash Cash
(D) Penny Wise and Pound Foolish
47. The word "limit" in line 4 is best replaced by _____.
(A) make (B) plan (C) change (D) reduce
48. Which of the following is NOT suggested by this passage as a way of saving money?
- (A) When one eats out with family or friends, one should use coupons.
(B) When one shops for groceries, one should go to the supermarket closest to one's house.
(C) When one is not home, one should plug off electrical appliances not in use.
(D) When one goes to work, one should carpool with friends instead of driving alone.

49. According to this passage, which of the following statements is true?
- (A) The annual sale is the time for one to buy what one needs at the lowest price.
 - (B) Things are sold at different prices at different stores, so it's worthwhile to look around for the best buys.
 - (C) There are a variety of ways one can adopt to save money.
 - (D) Of all the recommended ways of saving money, one can save the most by unplugging electrical appliances when they are not in use.
50. The word *it* in the third last line refers to _____.
(A) electric bill (B) power strip
(C) electronics (D) home entertainment system

Part Two: Test of Written English (50%)

What does one know when one knows a language? Write your answer in no more than 400 English words.