

A. Vocabulary

Choose the one which is closest in meaning to the underlined word or phrase. (20%)

1. All those with permanent residence in the republic are to be allowed to vote in the poll.
(A) temporary (B) forever
(C) enough (D) targeted
2. Conditioners help by smoothing the hair's surface and replenishing some of its natural moisture.
(A) managing (B) adding
(C) finishing (D) keeping
3. I didn't want him to be too uptight, so I kept the jokes coming.
(A) anxious (B) dangerous
(C) surprised (D) relaxed
4. This theme recurs several times throughout the book.
(A) breaks out (B) falls over
(C) passes quickly (D) happens again
5. The new race of photographers tried to seize the fleeting moment and make it stay.
(A) quiet (B) wonderful
(C) depressing (D) passing
6. She was sublimely unaware of the trouble she had caused.
(A) instantly (B) uniquely
(C) utterly (D) unexpectedly
7. Your eyes are all red and swollen. You look as if you're coming down with a flu.
(A) reporting (B) contracting
(C) falling (D) healing
8. Johnny passed out while he was playing tennis.
(A) hit the ball too hard (B) left the tennis court
(C) lost consciousness (D) failed the game
9. When the invoice comes in for payment, this is copied on to the system as well.
(A) bill (B) sound recording
(C) information (D) receipt
10. The uproar over the assault was accompanied by a high level of violence.
(A) punishment (B) happening
(C) commotion (D) change

B. Grammar

Each sentence has four underlined words or phrases. You are to identify the one that should be corrected. (20%)

11. Many people are pondering the idea making a second career, or at least a lifelong hobby, out of farming.
(A) (B)
(C) (D)

12. In this country, a number of dogs registered has increased by a quarter over the past decade while the number abandoned has fallen by a third.
(A) (B)
(C) (D)
13. Scientists have identified nearly 40 vitamins and minerals that the body needs for various tasks, from shoring up bones to bolster the immune system.
(A) (B)
(C) (D)
14. By testing the subjects at regular intervals, researchers can see how dietary changes effect cholesterol and blood pressure.
(A) (B) (C)
(D)
15. Like many of her contemporaries Martha wants the energy that powers her business to be sustain into the future.
(A) (B)
(C) (D)
16. Parents and kids have sent thousands of angry online letters to the Education Ministry complain that the new admissions standard is setting students against one another.
(A) (B) (C)
(D)
17. A hundred years ago, a burgeoning, land-hungry population killed off the last of German's wolves.
(A) (B) (C)
(D)
18. Home to 22 of the world's 25 lowest-birthrate countries, Europe loses 41 million people by 2030 even with continued immigration.
(A) (B) (C)
(D)
19. An object composed largely of earth would, if suspend in air, fall downward, while bubbles of air trapped under water would move upward.
(A) (B)
(C) (D)
20. Individuals in some cultures began to write down their aesthetic aspirations and deeply held values as express in the visual arts.
(A) (B)
(C) (D)

C. Sentence Completion

Choose the one that best completes the sentence. (20%)

21. _____ most programs are benign, some have been accused of promoting cults of personality and superstition.
(A) Since (B) Because
(C) Though (D) If

22. At times the material may be difficult to understand, and you may not grasp it on your first, or _____ your second, reading.
 (A) even (B) still
 (C) as (D) before
23. Many behaviors are inherited; _____, they evolved just like the structures of animals.
 (A) consequently (B) on the contrary
 (C) however (D) incidentally
24. Fruit that ripens in a dry sunny autumn will often keep longest, _____ a wet season may shorten their storage life.
 (A) because (B) whereas
 (C) after (D) unless
25. Cultural groups often _____ successfully to external influences. Sometimes, however, groups find it very difficult to change.
 (A) vary (B) interact
 (C) adapt (D) transmit
26. Jack lost his job a year ago, and _____.
 (A) he is already unemployed (B) he hasn't found another job yet
 (C) he has still found another job (D) he hasn't found another job already
27. The bus leaves in five minutes, but we can still catch it _____ we run.
 (A) even if (B) although
 (C) if (D) because
28. Write your name and address on your bag _____.
 (A) in case you have lost it (B) in case you lose it
 (C) if you will lose it (D) if you lose it
29. Chinese culture _____ artists. Imperial patronage of the arts played an important role in this support.
 (A) influenced (B) composed
 (C) represented (D) revealed
30. _____ drugs or alcohol, the television experience also allows the participant to blot out the real world and enter into a pleasurable and passive mental state.
 (A) In (B) Different from
 (C) Unlike (D) Not unlike

D. Cloze

Choose the best answer for each blank. (20%)

Passage 1

Spare time is (31) aimless play. As readers or moviegoers, for instance, we (32) other possibilities, other ways of living our lives. As listeners we discover musical form and, in turn, have our attitudes and emotions (33) by the sounds and words. As athletes we set goals and strive to (34) them, challenging ourselves while we (35) fit.

31. (A) simply (B) not just (C) at least (D) exactly
 32. (A) become accustomed (B) get tired of
 (C) go against (D) become aware of

33. (A) shaped (B) damaged (C) confused (D) rejected
34. (A) reveal (B) fulfill (C) confirm (D) describe
35. (A) keep (B) fall (C) really (D) very

Passage 2

Computers are becoming more and more (36) in our schools; even five-year-olds are learning how to use them. Many child development experts are worried that computers may deprive children (37) their childhood by pushing them into formal education too (38) in life. (39) feel that computers do not replace child play; they simply enhance it by (40) the imagination, for example in allowing children to write stories on the computer.

36. (A) expressive (B) prevalent (C) variable (D) expensive
37. (A) in (B) at (C) of (D) with
38. (A) easy (B) much (C) late (D) early
39. (A) Another (B) Others (C) Any other (D) The other
40. (A) freeing (B) inventing (C) changing (D) catching

E. English Writing (20%)

Write a short composition (100-150 words) in which you describe the most exciting thing that has ever happened to you. Remember to give a title to your writing.