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- I. Vocabulary and Grammar: Pick up the best answer (60%)
- () 1. The charity was established in 1999 and, _____, it has raised more than US\$1 million for poor children. (A) to date (B) on date (C) by date (D) from date
- () 2. Although Daniel works hard at school, he fears he'll never ______ his strict father's high expectations.

(A) indulge in (B) be equipped with (C) be drawn to (D) live up to

() 3. Spending a week with a high profile model certainly _____ the reporter's _____ to the workings of the fashion industry.

(A) took, shape (B) held, candle (C) took, place (D) opened, eyes

() 4. My older sister is in her bedroom packing her backpack, for she is about to
 _____ on a trip around the world.

(A) settle down (B) set off (C) pull off (D) stand out

- () 5. Healthcare experts say that many of us could ______ live to be 100 years old.
 (A) annually (B) conceivably (C) entirely (D) patiently
- () 6. With the lottery jackpot sitting at over NT\$ 1 billion, ticket holders _____ their
 - (A) have, toes curled (B) have, priorities in order (C) have, ducks in a row
 - (D) have, fingers crossed

(A) are celebrated for (B) are dogged by (C) are moved (D) are prone to

() 8. Building the playground for the neighborhood children was a ______ for Mr.
 Jones. (A) labor of love (B) matter of fact (C) popular pastime (D) leap of faith)
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- () 9. If a medical emergency should arise during the marathon, emergency medical experts are _____. (A) being held (B) standing out (C) on hand (D) under foot
- () 10. Upon reaching old age, most people need some living _____ from a hired helper. (A) justification (B) relief (C) assistance (D) motivation
- () 11. The new amusement park _____ the fastest rollercoaster in the world.
 (A) loathes (B) uphold (C) boasts (D) endangers
- () 12. Johnny doesn't like going to school because his classmates _____ him because of his lisp. (A) pick on (B) hang out with (C) pray for (D) look up to
- () 13. Laughter is the best medicine, and I think it is _____ effective in the relieving tension. (A) leisurely (B) objectively (C) hopefully (D) particularly
- () 14. Paul is the first grandson in his family. His _____ grandparents always give him the best that money can buy.

(A) profitable (B) indulgent (C) stressful (D) extensive

- () 15. The robbers held the bank manager and several customers _____ during their getaways. (A) hostage (B) identity (C) spotlight (D) presence
- () 16. You must have _____ when you talked to your boss that way. Aren't you afraid of getting fired?

(A) lost your mind (B) lost your shirt (C) stayed alert (D) stayed put)

() 17. Shelly is the most _____ person in the office. She always copes with the clients' complaints and figures out how to make them happy.

(A) vulnerable (B) affordable (C) contagious (D) resourceful

- () 18. It just _____ Helen that she forgot to turn off the stove before she left the house.
 (A) occurred (B) struck (C) determined (D) encountered
- () 19. The politician sued the newspaper because they smeared his _____ in their report on the bribery scandal.

(A) outbreak (B) adversity (C) reputation (D) perseverance 背面尙有試題

- () 20. If you _____ dispose of recyclable materials, you can be fined.
 (A) improperly (B) intensely (C) reasonably (D). simultaneously
- () 21. The American businessman was not _____ to Asian business practices. Therefore, effective communication is very necessary.
 (A) accommodated (B) acclimatize (C) accustomed (D) accredited
- () 22. The manufacturer had to _____ production due to a lack of materials.
 (A) limit (B) expand (C) develop (D) increase
- () 23. The company was committed _____ making the highest quality products.
 (A. by B. to C. for D. with)
- () 24. The supervisor was very annoyed _____ the new employee who was always late.
 (A) for (B) to (C) in (D) with
- () 25. The quoted price is _____ of all shipping and taxes. No extra payment is required. (A) include (B) included (C) inclusive (D).including
- ()26. Thank you to everyone who ______ to the project. It went over very well with the board of directors. (A) contributed (B) assisted (C) helped (D). supported
- () 27. I'm not satisfied _____ the effort I have seen around the office lately.
 (A) in (B) at (C) with (D) on
- () 28. I'd like all of you to become _____ with the other people in the class.
 (A) family (B) familiar (C) famine (D) fastidious
- () 29. John is really _____ forward to the company vacation this you. He has planned to go on a trip to Europe. (A) going (B) seeing (C) looking (D) moving
- () 30. We need to be prepared _____ a drop in revenue this month. The global economy seems to be receding this time of the year. (A. for B. by C. at D. to)

II. Cloze: Read the passage and fill in the blanks: (20%)

Part A:

Are you feeling sad? If so, then you should probably avoid going shopping until you start feeling better. A new study shows that people's __31__ judgment does not work so well when they are feeling down.

There were two groups of subjects involved in the study. One group was asked to watch a sad video about death, ___32__ the other group watched a video about nature. They were then asked how much they would pay __33__ a sporty-looking battle. On average, the group watching the sad video offered to pay nearly four times __34__ than the group watching the nature video.

The researchers concluded that sadness leads people to become more focused on themselves, causing them to feel that they and their possessions are __35__ little. Over time, this trend can cause sad shoppers to lose hundreds or even thousands of dollars each year.

() 31. (A) spent (B) spending (C) spender (D) spends

() **32.** (A) unless (B) or (C) if (D) while

() **33.** (A) for (B) at (C) to (D) about

() 34. (A) much (B) least (C) as little (D) more

() 35. (A) worthy (B) worthless (C) worth (D) worthwhile

Part B:

For an increasing number of women, building a successful career is more important than getting married. Traditionally, men __36__ the business world, while a woman was expected to take care of the family and the home, even if she had a job. All this changed with the introduction of equality laws that guaranteed women the same employment opportunities __37__ men. Women are not succeeding in many areas that were once

denied __38__. They are managing large companies, achieving high military or political office and becoming airline captains, to name only a few __39__. The change in the status of women has given many of them a sense of independence and the freedom to choose the lifestyle they want. They don't need to rely on marriage for security because they are __40__.

- () 36. (A) dominated (B) owned (C) discussed (D) united
- () **37.** (A) like (B) likely (C) alike (D) as
- () 38. (A) for them (B) to them (C) with them (D) by them
- () **39.** (A) requirements (B) objectives (C) possibilities (D) conditions
- () 40. (A) sufficient (B) enough (C) adequate (D) self-sufficient

III. Reading Comprehension: (20%)

Part A:

Over the last three years, the rising cost of food has become a serious problem in many countries. Since 2005, the prices of crops such as rice, corn, and potatoes have risen by as much as 75%. These changes have led to protests in countries like India, and it could take several years before prices come down. For the world's poor, this trend is disastrous. Indeed, millions of people who were previously capable of feeding their families can no longer afford food at local stores.

Three factors are responsible for this increase: the rising cost of oil, climate change, and biofuel production. Rising oil costs raise the price of everything form fertilizer to shipping. Food harvests have been affected by strange conditions, such as prolonged droughts and large-scale flooding. In addition, crops used to produce biofuels such ethanol have taken up farmland that could otherwise be used to produce food.

Some governmental organizations have been severely affected as well. For example,

the U.S. Agency for International Development has withdrawn about \$120 million from future food-aid programs to help relieve current situations. When the food-price crisis will come to an end is unknown. So countries may need to take measures to aid their people.

- () 41. According to the article, how are some people in India reacting to the change in food price?
 - (A) They are refusing to pay tax.
 - (B) They are begging in the street.
 - (C)They are starting protests.
 - (D)They are changing jobs.
- () 42. Which of the following is NOT responsible for the change in food prices?
 - (A) Global warming. (B) Crops such as corn.
 - (B) The rising cost of oil.
 - (C) Growing biofuel plants.
- () 43. Which of these is a direct result of rising oil costs?
 - (A) Lower transportation costs.
 - (B) More expensive fertilizer.
 - (C) Increasing income for farmers.
 - (D) Growing biofuel plants.
- () 44. What is the U.S. Agency for International Development doing to improve

present conditions?

- (A) It has taken a large amount of money from other projects.
- (B) It is passing a law to cut down the price of food nationwide.
- (C) It trades electronic devices for crops from nearby countries.
- (D) It encourages people to grow rice in their own yards.

() 45. What is the article mainly about?

(A) The farmers' rights movement.

- (B) The impact of climate change.
- (C) The importance of biofuels.
- (D) The world's recent food crisis.

Part B:

As a young man, Warren Fellows dreamed of being rich, but he had no intention of working hard to make his fortune honestly. Instead, he decided to smuggle drugs into Australia, first from India and then from Thailand. For a while, he was successful in avoiding detection by the police and customs authorities, but he became over confident and careless. In 1978, he was arrested in a Bangkok hotel, as he prepared to leave for Australia. He had twenty-four bags of high-grade heroin in his suitcase. So began life of hell that would last for the next twelve years. Fellows was lucky that he was given a prison sentence and not the death penalty.

In his autobiography *The Damage Done* he describes the cruelty, the desperation and the harsh conditions of prison life in Thailand. He served his sentence at the notorious Bang Kwang Men's prison that was ironically referred to as the Bangkok Hilton by the inmates. Fellows was granted an amnesty by the King of Thailand, released from prison early and departed back to Australia. He believes that he's paid the price for his crime, but shows little regret that he once smuggled drugs that ruined the lives of countless people.

() 46. What crime was Fellows convicted for?

(A) Using illegal drugs (B) Smuggling thirty-four packets of heroin

- (C) Possession of heroin (D) Selling drugs in a Bangkok hotel
- () 47. When was Fellows deported from Thailand?

(A) 1978 (B) 1990 (C) 1989 (D) 1992

- () 48. Which of the following statements about Fellows is false?
 - (A) He wrote a book.
 - (B) He had been to India.
 - (C) He was lucky to be given a prison sentence.
 - (D) He enjoyed the Bangkok Hilton.

() 49. In Paragraph 2 Line 4, the word 'amnesty' means:

(A) a pardon for a crime (B) an apology

- (C) financial compensation (D) an agreement
- () 50. What does Fellows feel now?
 - (A) Gratitude to the King of Thailand.
 - (B) That he was wrongly convicted.
 - (C) Remorse for ruining countless lives.
 - (D) That he's paid for his crime.