I. Vocabulary: 30%

A. In questions 1-10, each sentence has an underlined word. Below each sentence are four other words, marked (A), (B), (C), or (D). You are to choose the one word or phrase that BEST keeps the meaning of the original sentence if it is substituted for the underlined word. Then on your answer sheet, write down the question and the letter you have chosen.

1. Let’s not lose the **momentum**; keep up the good work.
   (A) resource  
   (B) impulse  
   (C) time  
   (D) temper

2. One really interesting thing emerged from this research.
   (A) caused  
   (B) resulted  
   (C) appeared  
   (D) concealed

3. What she wanted most was a spacious house to live in.
   (A) comfortable  
   (B) quiet  
   (C) unique  
   (D) roomy

4. It’s very difficult to access the effects of the new legislation as it has only been implemented for two months.
   (A) judge  
   (B) predict  
   (C) change  
   (D) amend

5. To westerners, abalone is an exotic food.
   (A) delicious  
   (B) expensive  
   (C) unusual  
   (D) nutritious

6. Eating fish on Lunar New Year’s Eve is considered auspicious.
   (A) favorable  
   (B) traditional  
   (C) common
7. The phone company lost its monopoly when the market was open to other competitors.
(A) value  
(B) control  
(C) advantage  
(D) investment

8. To have a meal at the Sherwood Hotel is extravagant.
(A) romantic  
(B) elegant  
(C) wasteful  
(D) special

9. One attribute of this computer that I very much appreciate is its speed.
(A) design  
(B) characteristic  
(C) function  
(D) operation

10. Dictionaries are indispensable to learners of foreign languages.
(A) practical  
(B) useful  
(C) necessary  
(D) popular

B. Analogies: Select the letter pair that best expresses relationship similar to that expresses in the original pair.

11. STAGE:ACTOR::
(A) library :lecturer  
(B) piano :conductor  
(C) safe :banker  
(D) rink :skater

12. YAWN:BOREDOM::
(A) anger :madness  
(B) dream :sleep  
(C) smile :amusement  
(D) face :expression

13. AUTOMOBILE:GASOLINE::
(A) cow :milk  
(B) man :food  
(C) airplane :propeller  
(D) disease :germs

14. JOURNALIST:TYPEWRITER::
(A) surgeon :bones  
(B) carpenter :lumber  
(C) poet :beauty
15. SCRAPBOOK: CLIPPINGS::
   (A) newspaper: headlines
   (B) record: label
   (C) bulletin: tacks
   (D) album: stamps
II. Grammar: choose the one understand word or phase that is incorrect. 20%
16. Not only fungi have a fresh and distinct test, they are very nutritious, and many rare types effectively promote longevity. A
   B
   C
   D
17. Mary’s parents insisted that Mary told them everywhere she’s going and when. A
   B
   C
   D
18. A day of diving, included an experienced guide and rental equipment, costs about US$250. A
   B
   C
   D
19. In ancient China, when a man wished to take a wife, custom required to ask one’s parents’ permission. A
   B
   C
   D
20. Some people enjoy spending much of their leisure time in front of the computer to play computer games, while others surf the web. A
   B
   C
   D
21. As evergreen highlands cover nearly two-third of the island, mountain climbing becomes a popular pastime. A
   B
   C
   D
22. Held only every so often, farmers markets sell farm produce and processed foods. A
   B
   C
   D
23. The bank cut its interest rate by a quarter of a percent point yesterday. A
   B
   C
   D
24. Physics is a demanding fuels that has challenged many people to probe their mysteries. A
   B
   C
   D
25. Most of common mistakes can be avoided by careful planning and attention to detail A
   B
   C
   D
III. Complete each of the following short dialogs the best choice. 10%
26. John: This restaurant must be good.
   Mary: Why do you think so?
   John: ________.
   (A) I’ve eaten there many times.
   (B) If you tired it, you’d know.
   (C) The food is delicious.
27. John: Have you seen my dictionary anywhere?
Mary: ________.  
John: It’s not my fault. I’ve a lot on my mind.
(A) It’s on the coffee table.
(B) Why are you always losing things?
(C) I haven’t seen it.
(D) Have you looked under the bed?

28. John: Can you give me a ride to school today?
Mom: ________.
John: But I’m going to be late!
(A) Sure, no problem.
(B) I know, hurry up!
(C) Not today. I’ve an 8:00 meeting.
(D) I should buy you a car of your own.

29. Mary: How do you like this skirt my mother gave me?
Janet: ________.
Mary: I’ll ask her where she got it.
(A) It’s okay.
(B) I think it would look better in red.
(C) I’ve been looking for one just like that.
(D) Let me get a good look at it.

30. John: How can I thank you enough for all you’re doing for me?
Mary: _________. What are friends for?
(A) Think nothing of it.
(B) Never mind.
(C) Sure, I’ll do you a favor.
(D) Oh, you shouldn’t have.

IV. Reading Comprehension: 10%
We need to consider the media coverage of the Chernobyl virus, touted as the “first homegrown Taiwan virus,” and the publicity the resulted for its creator, Chen Ing-hau.

That virus was no joke. It had a devastating effect on over 60 million computers worldwide.

At least one newspaper published cartoons that, in my view, glorified the creator of the virus as having served his country by putting Taiwan on the map. Another paper offered a picture of a smiling Chen that suggested to me the young man was only a harmless prankster.

It’s time for our media to face its responsibility to society. Events that we judge newsworthy really do shape public opinions.

How we present people has a moral as well as an intellectual impact. Interviews, chats, cartoons, choice of photos, and types of headlines are all decisions that mold reader’s impressions.

There is a thin line between reporting the Chernobyl virus and marking a hero of the misguided young man who dispatched it onto the Internet. Several accounts claimed Chen as regretted his actions. But I think
photos of him chucking while demonstrating his computer skills to reporters sent a different message. The message was it’s cool to be bad as long as you’re smart enough to get away with it.

31. Who does the author of this article believe needs to take more responsibility?
   (A) computer experts
   (B) the media
   (C) the schools
   (D) all the society

32. According to the article, what is the impression created by some portrayals of Chen Ing-hau?
   (A) He is destructive and dangerous.
   (B) He is rebellious.
   (C) He is intelligent and raised respect for Taiwan.
   (D) He is a criminal.

33. How does the author of this article believe people’s opinions are often formed?
   (A) The choice of photos and headlines create an impression.
   (B) The style of crime has an effect on people’s minds.
   (C) The Internet is a powerful tool.
   (D) Reporting a story about a person seems like a hero.

34. What is the author’s impression of Chen Ing-hau?
   (A) Chen is pitiful.
   (B) Chen is cool.
   (C) Chen was playing a joke.
   (D) Chen is enjoying the attention.

35. What would be a good name for this article?
   (A) CIH Virus Creator Needs Punishment
   (B) The Media is Part of the Problem
   (C) What does the Chen Owe Society?
   (D) CHI Virus Makes the World See Taiwan in New Way

V. Translation: Translation the following into Chinese: 10%
   Two recent tragic incidents on U.S. high school campuses aroused much discussion in the English-language press. On April 20, two students with guns killed 13 people before taking their own lives at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado. The episode sent shock waves throughout America. Exactly one month later, a student in Heritage High Schools in Georgia committed similar violent acts.Rejected by his girlfriend, the boy was depressed and opened fire at his high school, injuring six fellow students.

VI. Composition: 20%
Crime has become a major social problem in Taiwan. On your answer sheet, write in at least one hundred English words describing an incident occurring in Taiwan that you learned from the news.

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