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**I. Vocabulary (30%)** 選擇題請在答案卡上作答，否則不予計分。

In each of the following sentences there is a blank where a word is left out. Choose the answer that best completes the sentence and write its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.

- As World War I drew to a close, Baltimoreans had good reason to be \_\_\_\_\_ about the future of the city.  
(A) quintessential (B) sanguine (C) chubby (D) eligible
- Joshua is a \_\_\_\_\_ student and always does what he is told.  
(A) compliant (B) rebellious (C) aggressive (D) irrespective
- This highly \_\_\_\_\_ water has a high environmental impact and therefore needs to be treated before being discharged to the environment.  
(A) contaminated (B) indigenous (C) emerging (D) endangered
- The government of Myanmar voted to make education \_\_\_\_\_ for every child in that country.  
(A) commissary (B) confidential (C) concealed (D) compulsory
- Well before humans had any concept of the germ theory, we \_\_\_\_\_ the ill and avoided touching dead bodies.  
(A) plucked (B) quarantined (C) perceived (D) sustained
- Roland asked us which of the four possible \_\_\_\_\_ of the article was the most accurate.  
(A) commands (B) identifications (C) incentives (D) interpretations
- Villers \_\_\_\_\_ disappeared from the public view after having produced a group of impressive and original works.  
(A) crucially (B) irreparably (C) virtually (D) empirically
- Tens of thousands of people \_\_\_\_\_ to the town to take part in a music festival.  
(A) crashed (B) required (C) reacted (D) flocked
- Apart from the \_\_\_\_\_ and the pressure of being watched under a gun, the female hostage seemed in good spirits.  
(A) decline (B) proliferation (C) seclusion (D) dexterity
- Killian's \_\_\_\_\_ intentions were discovered when a message to the enemy he sent was intercepted.  
(A) simplistic (B) traitorous (C) honorable (D) immaculate
- Once the hoax had been concocted, a \_\_\_\_\_ of problems arose.  
(A) myriad (B) vein (C) stock (D) pile
- Scarlett feels deep \_\_\_\_\_ against her parents for her miserable childhood.  
(A) resurgence (B) resentment (C) turbulence (D) profusion
- The U.S. Supreme Court in 2012 \_\_\_\_\_ mandatory life sentences for juveniles, calling them cruel and unusual punishment.  
(A) oppressed (B) obstructed (C) prohibited (D) suppressed
- Manufacturers who enjoy a \_\_\_\_\_ can charge as much as they like for their product.  
(A) reduction (B) monogamy (C) monopoly (D) restoration

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15. When we listen to a voice from other cultures, listen to it \_\_\_\_ without personal judgments.

- (A) impartially      (B) statically      (C) unrelentingly      (D) extrinsically

## II. Grammar (20%)

In each of the following sentences there is a blank where a word, phrase or clause is omitted. Choose for each blank the most appropriate answer, and mark the corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.

16. Mary recommended Robert for the job, but he doesn't seem \_\_\_\_\_.

- (A) qualification      (B) qualified      (C) qualifying      (D) qualify

17. Human history \_\_\_\_\_ by a preoccupation with food.

- (A) shaped      (B) has shaped      (C) has been shaped      (D) have shaped

18. \_\_\_\_\_ has occupied more human time and energy than the tasks related to finding, collecting, transporting, and preparing food.

- (A) Nothing      (B) It      (C) Anything      (D) Whatever

19. Neuroscientific studies are supported \_\_\_\_\_ of technological developments.

- (A) for continuing stream      (B) by a continuing stream  
(C) continuing a stream      (D) in continue stream

20. After visiting the palace, Alice wants to try what the royal families \_\_\_\_\_.

- (A) used to eating      (B) used eat      (C) used eating      (D) used to eat

21. The report indicates that one \_\_\_\_\_ six children \_\_\_\_\_ bullied at that suburb.

- (A) by...are      (B) with...is      (C) at...are      (D) in...is

22. \_\_\_\_\_ the jury found the defendant guilty, they would have put him in jail.

- (A) Had      (B) Should      (C) Since      (D) Despite

23. The graduate students need their advisor to help them \_\_\_\_\_ a solution.

- (A) fall out      (B) take off      (C) work out      (D) take up

24. \_\_\_\_\_ I finished the meal than I started feeling hungry again.

- (A) No longer      (B) No longer had      (C) No sooner had      (D) No sooner

25. The intent of border screening is \_\_\_\_\_ possibly infectious persons at the border, either on entry to or exit from a country.

- (A) detect      (B) to detect      (C) detected      (D) detects

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### III. Reading Comprehension (20 %)

Choose the most appropriate answer and write its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.

#### Passage 1

America is a vastly underpopulated country. Our population density is less than one third of France's. Take an extreme example. Suppose a tidal wave of immigrants came here. Suppose that half of the people on the planet moved here. That would mean an unthinkable elevenfold increase in our population—from 300 million to 3.3 billion people. **That would make America almost as “densely populated as today’s England (360 people/sq. km vs. 384 people/sq. km).** In fact, it would make us less densely populated than the state of New Jersey (453 people/sq. km). And these calculations exclude Alaska and Hawaii and count only land area.

Contrary to widespread beliefs, high population density is a value not a disvalue. High population density intensifies the division of labor, which makes possible a wider variety of jobs and specialized consumer products. For instance, in Manhattan, there is a “doll hospital”—a store specializing in the repair of children’s dolls. Such a specialized, **niche** business requires a high population density in order to have a market. Try finding a doll hospital in Poughkeepsie. In Manhattan, one can find a job as a Pilates Method teacher or as a “Secret Shopper” (two jobs actually listed on Craig’s List). Not in Paducah.

People want to live near other people, in cities. One seventh of England’s population lives in London. If population density is a bad thing, why are Manhattan real-estate prices so high?

26. What is probably the issue discussed in the essay from which the passage is taken?

- A) the doll hospital in Manhattan
- B) the different lives in the city and in the countryside
- C) the immigrant policy
- D) the problems with overpopulation

27. Which of the following statements does the author try to support with the statistics he provides?

- A) Americans prefer to live in the cities.
- B) America should grant all immigrants legal status.
- C) England is a better place to live than New Jersey.
- D) European countries are more populated than America.

28. What is the tone of the boldfaced sentence?

- A) cynical
- B) humorous
- C) unsure
- D) ironical

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29. Why does the author exclude Alaska from his calculations?

- A) to prove that no area in America will become too overpopulated even if its population increases elevenfold
- B) to limit his discussion to areas economically important to America
- C) to show he is talking about an extreme case
- D) to exclude the weather factor

30. What does "niche" probably mean in the context?

- A) of a religious denomination
- B) of a special kind
- C) of a small size
- D) of some significance

31. Which of the following statements, if true, can be used to counter the author's argument?

- A) The population density in China is 145 people per square kilometer.
- B) The median household income in Illinois is 56,210 while that in the countryside area of Illinois is 58,141.
- C) Beijing and Pyongyang had signed an agreement to grant 40,000 industrial trainee visas to North Koreans to permit them to work in China.
- D) The GDP per capita of a country with a population density higher than 350 people per square kilometer is usually lower than that with a density lower than 350 people.

### Passage 2

Freedom and security are polarities along the same axis, and not opposites on the same order as wet and dry. They do not deny or cancel out one another, but sustain each other.

If freedom is rooted in choice, and if man who has no choice has no freedom, then the larger the number of choices, the larger the amount of freedom. And what gives us the largest number of choices? The amount of security we enjoy. If many kinds of jobs are available, we have the freedom to choose any; if only one, we must choose that. If we live in a society that will not let us starve, we have more freedom than if we live in a society where we must support certain leaders or parties in order to make sure we get enough food.

In the personal, social and political realms, freedom and security are not opposites like wet and dry, but polarities that work together to sustain the human person at the maximum of his abilities. Without freedom, security is slavery; without security, freedom is an illusion.

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32. What is the topic of the passage?

- A) Security
- B) Choices
- C) Freedom
- D) Polarities

33. Which strategy is not used in the essay to clarify the issue and support the argument?

- A) examples
- B) comparison and contrast
- C) classification
- D) cause and effect

34. Which of the following arguments counters the argument made in this passage?

- A) The more choices we have, the more freedom.
- B) The more freedom we have, the less security.
- C) The less freedom we have, the less choices.
- D) The more security we have, the more freedom.

35. Which of the following examples best supports the argument presented in the passage?

- A) If we provide more tenure positions for university teachers, they will have more space to decide for themselves which research area they want to focus on.
- B) If we sign a trade treaty that helps open up a free market, we will be less able to keep inflation below two percent.
- C) If we establish laws to regulate the right and obligation in marriage, we will have less freedom to build the kind of marriage relationships we want.
- D) If a company doesn't set up some SOP and check whether the employees follow them, it is more likely to lose its competitiveness.

#### IV. Composition (30%)

Use an example to support or refute the argument made in passage 2 of the Reading Comprehension Section.

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- 二、試題請隨卷繳交。