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## I. Vocabulary: 30%

Select the word whose meaning is closest to the meaning of the underlined word in each sentence, and then write the corresponding letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet. 以文字或其它符號作答概不予計分。

- An acute pain is very \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. mild                      B. easy to heal                      C. sharp                      D. painless
- Capital punishment should be abolished.  
A. Cash fine                      B. Life imprisonment                      C. Economic crime                      D. Death penalty
- When you duplicate something, you \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
A. return                      B. copy                      C. borrow                      D. tear
- You need to consult with your advisor before making any changes.  
A. discuss                      B. argue                      C. refute                      D. compete
- Unfortunately, he lives in a part of town where few services are accessible.  
A. far away                      B. organized                      C. within reach                      D. understandable
- The little boy cried when his sister punctured his balloon.  
A. described                      B. inflated                      C. made                      D. broke
- The doctor's priority was getting her to breathe again.  
A. second choice                      B. first consideration                      C. abhorrence                      D. last concern
- I inadvertently stepped on his toe.  
A. scornfully                      B. gleefully                      C. thoughtlessly                      D. profoundly
- The police advised the news reporter not to put their lives in danger by going any nearer to the scenes of the riot.  
A. atonement                      B. jeopardy                      C. prospect                      D. contempt
- When she was unable to find her diamond ring, Diana ransacked the entire room looking for it.  
A. searched                      B. revered                      C. discerned                      D. advocated
- In contrast to James's tedious talk, Larry's reply was succinct.  
A. erratic                      B. superficial                      C. static                      D. concise
- The critics were generous in their praise of Lisa's first book but were only lukewarm about her second one.  
A. lavish                      B. woeful                      C. mild                      D. sleek
- We are happy to learn that he has been promoted to captain.  
A. spoken                      B. advanced                      C. returned                      D. joined
- The manager upbraided Jim for being late everyday.  
A. scolded                      B. dismissed                      C. vouched                      D. complained
- According to the newspaper account of the crime, the thief was a man with no permanent residence.  
A. horde                      B. hindsight                      C. span                      D. abode



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## II. Structure: 20%

Choose the word, phrase or clause that best completes the sentence, and then write its corresponding letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet.

以文字或其它符號作答概不予計分。

1. Your car needs \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. wash                      B. washing                      C. to wash                      D. be washed
2. \_\_\_\_\_ there are riches, vice and corruption prevail.  
A. Where                      B. That                      C. What                      D. Which
3. At some distance, he heard a brook \_\_\_\_\_ down the hills.  
A. murmured                      B. murmuring                      C. was murmuring                      D. be murmuring
4. Either Jane or Nancy will give \_\_\_\_\_ book report in class tomorrow.  
A. their                      B. both                      C. neither                      D. her
5. You enter the cafeteria, pick up a tray and spoons, and study the various dishes \_\_\_\_\_ on the long counter.  
A. display                      B. displayed                      C. displaying                      D. to display
6. The extrovert differs from the introvert in that the extrovert takes chances and is generally impulsive, \_\_\_\_\_ the introvert shuns excitement.  
A. whereas                      B. unlike                      C. in contrast                      D. however
7. The firefighters, their faces \_\_\_\_\_ exhaustion, trudged back to their truck.  
A. lining with                      B. were lined with                      C. lined with                      D. lining
8. Ski resorts, \_\_\_\_\_ deserted during the summer, have now created popular warm-weather attractions like the Alpine Slide.  
A. if                      B. unless                      C. once                      D. because
9. Aesop's fables, \_\_\_\_\_ animals act like beings, are famous for the moral lessons they teach.  
A. that                      B. which                      C. of which                      D. in which
10. \_\_\_\_\_ common a hundred years ago, red wolves no longer populate our woods in significant numbers.  
A. Although                      B. Despite                      C. Contrary to                      D. Rather than



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**III. Reading Comprehension: 30%**

Read the following passages, choose the best answer to each question, and then **write the corresponding letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet.**

以文字或其它符號作答概不予計分。

1. High-flying jets leave trails of white vapor behind them. During the day, these trails reflect sunlight away from the earth. At night, the vapor trails trap the earth's heat and keep it from escaping into space. So, there is less difference between daytime and nighttime temperatures than there used to be.

It is obvious that day time and nighttime temperatures have become \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. more alike      B. the same      C. less alike      D. colder

2. Hearst's castle is now an art museum. It is one of the most popular tourist attractions in California. Nearly a million people visit the castle each year. All those visitors are putting the art works in danger. The problem is body heat.

The treasures of Hearst's Castle are in danger because of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. fingerprints      B. body heat      C. rain      D. thieves

3. Scientists believe that earthquakes take place along fault lines. These are deep cracks in the earth. But the cause of the Moodus earthquakes remains a mystery because no fault lines have been found in Moodus.

What is a fault line?

- A. a slight tremble of the earth      B. a deep crack in the earth  
C. part of a mountain      D. a piece of equipment for studying earthquakes

4. What happens to a town when its people won't pay taxes to keep it going? The tiny town of Loyalton, South Dakota, actually closed down. There were only five residents of Loyalton in 1982. All five voted to dissolve the town to save money on property taxes. So, Loyalton will disappear from the map of South Dakota.

What does it mean when people vote to "dissolve" a town?

- A. The town will be rebuilt.      B. The town will charge higher taxes.  
C. The town will have new residents.      D. The town will no longer exist.



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5. Lead is used in many products. For example, it is in matches, dyes, some food cans, and leaded gasoline. Gasoline fumes send lead into the air. Surprisingly, lead pencils do not contain any lead at all. It is important to know about lead because lead can poison us. Even small amounts of lead in the body can cause lead poisoning.

Which of the following contain no lead?

- A. pencils      B. gasoline      C. paint      D. cans

6. Americans this year will swallow 15,000 tons of aspirin, one of the safest and most effective drugs invented by man. The most popular medicine in the world today, it is an effective pain reliever. Its bad effects are relatively mild, and it is cheap.

This passage describes \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. what aspirin is made of      B. how long aspirin has been around  
C. the bad things about aspirin      D. the good things about aspirin

7. Crime has its own cycles, a magazine reported some years ago. Police records that were studied for five years from over 2,400 cities and towns show a surprising link between changes in the season and crime patterns.

The main idea of this paragraph is that

- A. 2,400 towns were studied for five years.  
B. crime is not linked to the changes in season.  
C. there is a link between changes in the season and crime patterns.  
D. people spent 5 years on the records.

Lie-detector tests should be prohibited, both for screening job applicants and for trying to uncover employee theft. The first reason is that the accuracy of the tests is not very high. Senator Birch Bayh says that tests are only about 70 percent accurate. One victim of inaccurate testing was Linda Boycose. In her job as a bookkeeper she reported \$1.50 missing one day. She was given a lie-detector test and accused of stealing the money. She quit her job and suffered great emotional upset; eventually a jury awarded her \$100,000. Another example is a supermarket clerk who was fired after giving an emotional response to the questions, "Have you ever given discount groceries to your mother?" Her mother had been dead for five years. Much of the



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inaccuracy may be related to the competence of the examiner. Jerry Wall, a Los Angeles tester, says that out of about 3,000 U.S. testers, only fifty are competent. The second reason for prohibiting use of lie-detector tests is that they are an invasion of privacy. Examiners often ask about extremely private matters unrelated to stealing. Excesses are so great that the federal government has been conducting hearings on misuse, and employers are afraid of being sued.

8. The author thinks that
  - A. lie-detector tests may give unreliable results.
  - B. lie-detector tests help determine the honesty of the job applicants.
  - C. lie-detector tests cost the employers too much money.
  - D. lie-detector tests are being sound.
9. In the case of Linda Boycose, she \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. stole money.
  - B. was fired because of theft.
  - C. was accused of theft.
  - D. was promoted because of the jury's verdict.
10. In the case of the supermarket clerk, why did she fail the lie-detector test?
  - A. The author did not explain clearly in the reading.
  - B. She gave an emotional response to one question in the test.
  - C. She told a lie to her boss.
  - D. She gave discount groceries to her mother.
11. According to the author, why are the test results inaccurate?
  - A. The tests are not designed for those with true emotional responses.
  - B. The test questions are arbitrary.
  - C. The testers ask too many unrelated private questions.
  - D. Many testers themselves are incompetent.

How is it best to handle anger? It is not useful to sulk and think you are keeping the peace. Neither is it useful to show rage or cruelty in the name of honesty. Sometimes the best response is to do nothing at all. "Let it go, and half the time it will turn out to be an unimportant, momentary shudder," say Tavis. "The other half of the time, keeping quiet gives you time to cool down and decide whether the matter is worth discussing or not."

So the first step is learning to nip your temper in the bud and disconnect yourself from an argument. Perhaps you can say, "This is becoming a fight."

A second step is to learn to deal with anger with civility. Civility means knowing when to keep quiet about annoying but unimportant things; it means knowing



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when to discuss important matters clearly and assertively.

Here is a good example of assertiveness. Suppose you are upset when someone in your family leaves dirty clothes on the floor. Do not blame the person by saying, "You never do anything about the dirty clothes." Instead, tell the other person how he or she makes you feel. "I get upset when you leave the laundry for me." This type of expression will get better results.

12. The author thinks when we are angry it is useful to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. remain sullen    B. keep the peace    C. do nothing at all    D. express it
13. The first thing the author suggests to handle rage is \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. to repress your temper    B. to think that this matter is unimportant  
C. to vent your anger    D. to complain in a taciturn way
14. Which of the following words are an equivalent of "civility" in this context?  
A. reflexive but quiet    B. graceful but aggressive  
C. polite but persistent    D. direct but persuasive
15. If someone cuts in your line while you are waiting to get on a bus, how, according to the author, would be a good way to show your assertiveness?  
A. Shout at him and arouse others' attention.    B. Remain silent and do nothing.  
C. Teach him what incivility is.    D. Remind him to line up like others.

**IV. Translate the following sentences from Chinese into English and vice versa.**  
20%

1. 這是她犯錯誤得到的懲罰, 她要自食其果.
2. 滿紙荒唐言, 一把辛酸淚, 都云作者痴, 誰解其中味.
3. Your child will certainly overcome the obstacles, so don't underestimate her potential.
4. After the interview, the reporter showed the phony jeans bought at a Russian market to Armani.