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INSTRUCTIONS

- A. This examination paper contains Part A and Part B. Part A comprises categories I-IV (Questions 1-35), a multiple type of tests, accounting for 70%, while Part B takes 30%.
- B. All answers are to be written on the answer sheet.
- C. Part B is to be answered in short English sentences.

PART ONE (Questions 1-35): 70%

I. Vocabulary in Context

You are to choose the one word marked A, B, C, or D that best keeps the meaning of the original sentence if it is substituted for the italicized word or phrase.

1. The Chinese folk story "Ten Brothers" examines the traditional value of *filial piety* in our modern society.
A. universal brotherhood B. paternal love C. children's respect for parents
D. romantic love.
2. American Online (AOL) managed to outnumber its competitors—most notable Bill Gates' Microsoft—and along the way made some of business' *savviest* decision.
A. shrewdest B. hardest C. most challenging D. greatest
3. It is *imperative* to stabilize Taiwan's political and economic situation as soon as possible.
A. impossible B. permissible C. advantageous D. necessary
4. The Red Lions, Taipei premier soccer team, is now *recruiting* new players for possible tournament play in Cambodia, Vietnam, and Thailand.
A. training B. enlisting C. introducing D. eliminating
5. I am still contemplating the *myriad* possibilities of that metaphor.
A. mysterious B. innumerable C. numerical D. calculable
6. People complained that they had to park their vehicles far from the schools because of the *barricades*.
A. congested traffic B. barrages C. barriers D. intersection.
7. Several brief *scuffles* at voting stations in Taipei were reported.
A. arguments B. confused fight C. revolts D. demonstrations
8. Learning foreign languages has been my *predilection* since childhood.
A. unpleasant experience B. extra duty C. routine job D. special liking
9. The exhibition not only presents the *indigenous* glass artworks in China but also explores the relationships between glasswork and jade work.
A. native B. creative C. inventive D. elaborate
10. The politician said at a brief *press* conference at the CKS International Airport.
A. urgent B. emergency C. simultaneous D. news

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II. Phrases, Idioms, and Allusions

Questions 11-20 are incomplete sentences. Five phrases marked A, B, C, D, and E are given above each group of five sentences. You are to choose the one phrase that best completes any one of the five sentences in each group. (Note: Each phrase can be used only once.)

A. Achilles heel B. subject to C. Rounding up D. turned out E. In spite of

11. If a country is not strong, her overseas citizens are often _____ ill treatment.
12. Over the last decade, writer-director David Mamet has consistently _____ great film after great film.
13. _____ the wooing and dining and access, a good stylist will keep an independent mind.
14. His secretary is pretty, smart, and efficient; her _____ is her quick temper.
15. _____ the album are several vaporous instrumental pieces by the MDH band evoking an air of gauzy melancholy, yet also an enveloping warmth.

A. put off B. kick off C. sign up D. olive branch E. with flying colors

16. Having studied diligently day and night, I hope I can pass the entrance exams _____.
17. The National Museum of History will _____ an exhibition about the Florentine artist.
18. Most people wonder when the new government in Taiwan will hold out an _____ to mainland China.
19. The invitation might be _____, at least for the time being, due to the improper time.
20. The Tamsui Beach Country Club welcomes new members to _____ for rides on and near the beach.

III. Grammar

Identify the one underlined word or phrase marked A, B, C, or D that should be corrected or rewritten.

21. Dressing for the Academy Awards are also be chance to change the reputation of a star or
A B C D
a designer.

22. Because the cold front, the western part of the island might experience foggy weather.
A B C D

23. I look forward to meet Mr. Chen and learning more about his policies.
A B C D

24. The media proved unanimous in its support of the presidential election.
A B C D

25. The number of heterosexual cases of AIDS, especially in heterosexual young women, are
A B C D
increasing rapidly.

26. People with money and power should not insult those who, in the very heart of the country, feel
A B
as though they are on the outside fighting to get in.
C D

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27. Industry and his resolute persistence in the pursue of learning in disadvantageous circumstances
A B C D
eventually led him to success.
28. Little they knew in 1926, when the first TV broadcast began, that it would have such an impact
A B C D
on people's everyday lives.
29. Chinese Americans have also demonstrated outstanding performances in architecture, law,
A B C
politics, and etc.
D
30. A well regulated militia is necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people
A B
to bear arms shall not be infringed.
C D
31. The more aware we are of the relativity of cultural differences, the likely we are to be sensitive
A B C D
to the other cultures.

IV. Kinds of Sentences

Identify the following sentences whether each of them belongs to one of the following:

- A. a simple sentence, B. a compound sentence, C. a complex sentence, or
D. a compound complex sentence.

32. Life is what we make it.
33. If a person yells fire in a crowded theater, is it a crime and should he be punished?
34. A man may lead a successful and prosperous life, but prosperity alone can not insure happiness.
35. Like all gifts, music has brought solace, comfort, and joy to men and women everywhere.

PART TWO: 30% (Questions 36-38)

V. Topic Sentence

The topic sentence of each of the following paragraphs has been omitted. After a careful reading, write an appropriate topic sentence for each paragraph.

36. Even before World War II, Americans _____
_____. Food especially got treated as though there would never be quite enough. One day's chicken became next day's hash, and yesterday's leftover vegetable wound up with bones and gristle in soups and stews. Stale bread got crushed into cooking crumbs. This practice was also applied to fabrics. Torn stockings wound up not in the trash but in the sewing basket. Frayed shirt collars got turned and, when the garment became hopeless on the second go-round, the buttons were salvaged and the fabric was channeled into a rag bag, whence it might emerge as a dish cloth, a shoe wiper, a hand towel. Moreover, used paper was treated as valuable as fabric. Tissue went into a gift-wrapping kit. Waxy bread paper packaging became wrappers for school lunches, and old newspapers serve multi purposes.

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37. _____ . To begin with, this sense seems so essential to us that we have at least four common verbs in English to describe various ways of using eyes. We can *look*, we can *glance* (look quickly and then look away), we can *stare* (look for a long time, perhaps rudely), and we can *glare* (stare angrily). We sometimes equate this sense with intellectual understanding. When we understand what someone is saying, we might say, "I see what you mean." We also use the sense of sight in the opposite way—that is, to suggest lack of understanding. When we don't understand something, we say that we are "in the dark"; and in a situation which we cannot (and perhaps even stubbornly refuse to) understand, our friends might accuse us of being "blind to truth." Lack of light (and therefore of sight as well) is sometimes even associated with unpleasant character traits: a *gloomy* person is too serious, and a particularly unpleasant person is said to have a "dark side" to his or her personality. The presence of light, however, suggests hope and optimism. When we are feeling pessimistic about things, our friends remind us to "look on the bright side," or they comfort us with assurance that "every cloud has a silver lining."

VI. Central Idea

Read the following essay and then write a sentence of no more than 15 words to summarize its central idea in your own words.

38. Make him the first child to survive in a poor Italian family of 18 children, and you have an Enrico Caruso.
Have him born of parents who survived a Nazi concentration camp, paralyze him from the waist down when he is four, and you have an incomparable concert violinist, Itzhak Perlman.
Call him a slow learner, "retarded," and write him off as uneducable, and you have an Albert Einstein.
Cripple him, and you have a Sir Walter Scott.
Lock him in a prison cell, and you have a George Washington.
Raise him in an abject poverty, and you have an Abraham Lincoln.
Subject him to bitter religious prejudice, and you have a Disraeli.
Strike him down with infantile paralysis, and he becomes a Franklin D. Roosevelt.
Burn him so severely in a schoolhouse fire that the doctors say he will never walk again, and you have a Glenn Cunningham, who set the world's record in 1934 for running a mile in 4 minutes and 6.7 seconds.
Deafen a genius composer, and you have a Ludwig van Beethoven.