

# 淡江大學九十一年度日間部轉學生招生考試試題

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**General Directions: Write your answers on the answer sheet provided.**

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**Directions: Choose the one option—(A), (B), (C), (D)—that correctly completes each of the following sentences. 20%**

- \_\_\_\_\_ toward shore, its shape is changed by its collision with the rocks.  
(A) As a wave rushes (B) A wave rushes (C) During a wave rushes (D) A wave's rushing
- On a visit to my grandmother's home in West Virginia, I stood inside the house \_\_\_\_\_ and where she grew up.  
(A) where my mother is born (B) although my mother was born (C) while my mother had been born (D) where my mother had been born
- My mother would read to me in the big bedroom in the mornings, \_\_\_\_\_, which ticked in rhythm as we rocked.  
(A) where we were in her rocker together (B) when we were in her rocker together (C) wherever we were in her rocker together (D) as though we were in her rocker together
- \_\_\_\_\_ lots of aquatic animals and plants do not die in the river is that the sheet of ice on the surface protects the water below it from the cold air.  
(A) Because (B) Why do (C) The reason that (D) For the reason
- \_\_\_\_\_ through a prism, a ray of white light is separated into the colors of the rainbow.  
(A) When passing (B) When passed (C) It is past (D) It passes
- Many animals can capture their prey in total darkness \_\_\_\_\_ their remarkably keen sense of smell.  
(A) that (B) the result (C) because of (D) since
- I don't suppose that saguaros mean to give comic relief to the otherwise solemn face of the desert, \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) despite it gives (B) but they do (C) but it does (D) even though it does.
- This man was alive just as we were alive. All the organs of his body were working—bowels \_\_\_\_\_ food, skin renewing itself, nails growing, tissues forming—all toiling away in solemn foolery.  
(A) have digested (B) digesting (C) digested (D) has digested

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9. Buffalo roamed almost \_\_\_\_\_ over the grasslands.  
(A) wherever (B) everywhere (C) somewhere (D) whenever
10. \_\_\_\_\_ placed in a food, antifreeze lowers the freezing temperature of that food.  
(A) As is (B) It is (C) That (D) When

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**II. Vocabulary. Complete the following sentences by filling in the blanks with vocabulary items (A), (B), (C) or (D) according to the context of the sentences. 20%**

11. Pollen breathed in from the air may be \_\_\_\_\_ to a person who is allergic to it.  
(A) awkward (B) fatal (C) sympathetic (D) anxious
12. The governor is popular with us, for he is \_\_\_\_\_ to the needs of others.  
(A) sensitive (B) sensible (C) sentimental (D) sensuous
13. The doctors have discontinued the treatment, for the virus is not \_\_\_\_\_ to the prescribed medication.  
(A) respondent (B) responsible (C) responsive (D) restorative
14. As there is a shortage of water, the municipal authorities here are preparing for water \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) rationing (B) rationalism (C) ratification (D) measures
15. A person suffering from agoraphobia has an \_\_\_\_\_ to public places.  
(A) ailment (B) aversion (C) acclaim (D) attachment
16. The manager has an \_\_\_\_\_ mind, because he thinks quickly and intelligently.  
(A) abrupt (B) encouraging (C) agile (D) apathetic
17. The marathon is an \_\_\_\_\_ sport.  
(A) austere (B) arduous (C) anxious (D) easy
18. Cigar smoking used to be commoner among \_\_\_\_\_ people, for they had a higher standard of living.  
(A) affiliated (B) stricken (C) affluent (D) working

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19. The airline \_\_\_\_\_, for it sent me to Beijing but my baggage to Taipei.

- (A) blundered (B) bartered (C) beckoned (D) crashed

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20. Weather is \_\_\_\_\_ in the spring in Taiwan, for it is changeable.

- (A) blurred (B) capricious (C) caustic (D) colossal.

**I. Reading Comprehension: Read the paragraphs below, and then choose the best answer to each of the following questions. 20%**

*One convenient way for writers to present and to support a point is through illustration—that is, by means of several examples to back up an idea. Illustration helps a writer put general or abstract thoughts into specific examples. It also holds a reader's interest: We all respond to concrete instances when we are trying to understand a point. Certainly, you are no stranger to illustration as a way to present information. Every time you try to explain why you believe or feel something to be true, and you give more than one case to back it up, you are using this technique.*

21. For what purpose does a writer use illustration? A writer uses it usually

- (A) for announcing news at a conference.  
(B) for presenting abstract thoughts.  
(C) for drawing a picture.  
(D) for lowering the price of goods.

22. Illustration can hold a reader's interest, because he/she is usually more responsive to

- (A) instances mathematical.  
(B) academic jargon.  
(C) abstract concepts.  
(D) concrete examples.

23. When a writer uses illustration to back up an idea, he usually offers

- (A) a single weak example.  
(B) several examples.  
(C) an isolated example.  
(D) some random unconvincing examples.

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*Man is but a part of the fabric of life—dependent on the whole fabric for his very existence. As the most highly developed tool-using animal, he must recognize that the unknown evolutionary destinies of other life forms are to be respected, and act as the gentle steward of the earth's community of being. There are now too many human beings, and the problem is growing rapidly worse. It is potentially disastrous not only for the human race but for most other life forms. Our goal is to decrease the present world population by half.*

24. What is the attitude of the author toward human beings?

- He wants human beings to
- (A) be human-centered.
  - (B) be ecocentric
  - (C) develop economic growth.
  - (D) make more tools and use them more skillfully.

25. According to the author, the problem for humans and nonhumans is growing rapidly worse, because

- (A) human beings are now suffering from poverty and wars.
- (B) there are too many rich people in the developed countries.
- (C) there are too many hungry people in the undeveloped countries.
- (D) there are now too many human beings on earth.

26. What does the author wants us to do?

- (A) He wants us to deplete the natural resources.
- (B) He wants us to enslave nonhumans and the earth.
- (C) He wants us to take care of the earth.
- (D) He wants us to change nature into civilization.

*We need to learn from Native Americans how to live on the continent as though our children, and on down, for many ages, will still be here (not on the moon). We have to love and protect this soil, these trees, and those wild animals. An American poet, Gary Snyder, has said, "A scaled-down, balanced technology is possible, if cut loose from the cancer of exploitation-heavy-industry-perpetual growth. Those who have already sensed these necessities and have begun, whether in the country or in the city, to 'grow with less,' are the only counterculture that counts."*

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27. According to the above passage, which of the following is true?

- (A) American Indians are barbarians.
- (B) American Indians know better than white people how to take care of this planet.
- (C) American Indians have produced a good poet called Gary Snyder.
- (D) American Indians have lived in Americas since the nineteenth century.

28. What does Gary Snyder advocate?

- (A) He advocates that heavier industry be developed.
- (B) He suggests that only small-scale and environmentally friendly technology be encouraged.
- (C) He suggests that more green space be exploited to guarantee a better life.
- (D) He suggests that the soil be protected with more pesticides and chemicals.

29. According to Gary Snyder, exploitive industry is no good to humans.

This is because such industry

- (A) is a scaled-down technology.
- (B) fails to satisfy our material needs.
- (C) will be bad for human civilization.
- (D) has already brought a fatal disease to the earth.

30. According to the above passage, which of the following is true?

- (A) Nonhumans are more important than humans.
- (B) Humans are more important than nonhumans.
- (C) We should grow with less technology.
- (D) We must grow with more technology.

VI. Decide which one of the four underlined words or phrases—(A), (B), (C), or (D)—would not be considered correct, and write the letter of the expression in your answer sheet. 10%

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31. Asian American novelists have often describes the lives of Chinese Americans in their literary works.  
A B C D
32. Either the students or Prof. Joni Adamson are going to pay for the meal they had last night.  
A B C D
33. Major sources of noise pollution include automobiles and other vehicles, industrial plants, and heavy construction equipments.  
A B C D
34. When hay fever first occurs, it is often mistook for a summer cold.  
A B C D
35. The emphasize on such team sports as the football game, baseball game, and basketball game has become stronger in this century than it was in the last.  
A B C D
- V. Composition: In about 150-200 words argue for or against drug taking as a form of recreation. 30%

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