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Examination in English for Transfer Students

General Directions:

- For items 1 - 35, mark your answers on the answer card.
- Write your composition on the separate answer sheet provided.

Vocabulary: (20%)

Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to the underlined word or phrase.

- Gladys can be obnoxious at times.
a. domineering b. boring c. disagreeable d. indifferent
- Mom was irked by what Dad said.
a. irritated b. amused c. inspired d. pleased
- The new members complied with the club's regulations.
a. disagreed with b. acted in accordance with
c. broke d. put up with
- The crowd began to bellow at the two boxers.
a. throw things b. shout c. laugh d. whistle
- Their living room looks so drab.
a. crowded b. lively c. old-fashioned d. colorless
- Sam impresses me as a man who is averse to hard work.
a. is opposed to b. is unable to do
c. loves nothing better than d. is interested in
- It was her unflagging confidence that helped Jane succeed.
a. endless b. aggressive c. sufficient d. optimistic
- Concerning my college courses next year, I'm in a quandary.
a. unknown b. uncertain c. unable d. unprepared
- What was the ruckus all about?
a. argument b. demonstration c. meeting d. disturbance
- That expression is hackneyed.
a. fresh b. original c. overused d. unusual

Structure: (30%)

Identify the one underlined word or phrase that must be changed in order for the sentence to be correct.

- Much unknown plants and animals are disappearing as the tropical forests are destroyed.
A B C
D

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12. Blowing out birthday candles is an ancient test to see if a growing child is
 A B
enough strong to blow out a greater number each year.
 C D
13. The caverns were more exciting before the guides came and took away the
 A B C
adventurously aspect.
 D
14. The council set off controversial by its strong position on wildlife management.
 A B C D
15. While searching for gold, the Spanish found the Grand Canyon to be an
 A B C
impassably barrier.
 D
16. The figure was carved on a hillside enough that it can be seen from a distance of
 A B C D
 several miles.
17. During the bleak winter, food became too scarce that starvation and famine were
 A B C
widespread.
 D
18. Transplanting organs such hearts and kidneys has proved easier than transplanting
 A B C
muscles.
 D
19. The grenade is a small bomb done to be thrown by hand or shot from a modified
 A B C D
 rifle.
20. The high cost of testing new pesticides inadvertently discourages the develop of
 A B C
 viruses, protozoa, bacteria, and molds for pest control.
 D
21. The glider uses gravity to keeping flying and updrafts of air to gain altitude.
 A B C D
22. Unlike a tractor is, a mule won't turn over on a steep hillside and crush the driver.
 A B C D
23. The rattlesnake coils to able it to spring forward and strike its victim.
 A B C D
24. Faint is not uncommon in elderly people who stand up suddenly.
 A B C D

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25. Bicyclists joy riding across country and through small towns.

A B C D

Reading Comprehension: (20%)

Read the following passages and choose the one best answer to each question.

A quilt is a bed cover made of squares of material pieced together. Each square consists of two layers filled with a layer of wool or cotton cloth, feathers, or down. Often, the squares are decorated with fancy stitches and designs. According to legend, the earliest pieced quilt was stitched in 1704 by Sarah Sedgewick Everett, wife of the governor of the Massachusetts colony. By 1774 George Washington was buying quilts in Belvoir, Virginia, to take back to Martha in Mount Vernon. As the frontier moved westward, quilting went along. In addition to sleeping under them, homesteaders kept out drafts by hanging quilts over doors and windows. And if the money ran out, quilts were used to pay debts.

For isolated pioneer women, quilts were a source of comfort. Mary Wilman, whose family moved to Texas from Missouri in 1890, recalled the first time she and her mother had to spend a week alone and a dust storm came up. "The wind blew for three days and the dust was so thick that you couldn't see the barn. My mother quilted all day, and she taught me how to quilt. If it hadn't been for quilting, I think we would have gone crazy." Quilting provided an important social function for the women of the frontier as well. At quilting bees, women met to work on quilts and to share the latest news.

Today, however, the homely quilt has become a costly cultural phenomenon. The International Quilt Festival in Houston, Texas, "world's fair of quilting," attracted only 2,500 people and displayed only 200 quilts when it began a dozen years ago. This year there were more than 20,000 visitors and 5,000 quilts, some of which sold for as much as \$50,000.

26. According to legend, who made the first American quilt?
- Sarah Sedgewick Everett
 - The governor of the colony of Massachusetts
 - Martha Washington
 - Mary Wilman
27. Which of the following is Not mentioned in the passage as one of the benefits of quilts for pioneers?
- They could be used to pay debts.
 - They could be used to help insulate houses.
 - They could provide psychological comfort.
 - They could be worn as warm clothing.

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28. According to the passage, what is a "quilting bee?"
- a type of insect
 - a gathering where women socialize and make quilts
 - a type of quilt
 - a place where people buy and sell quilts
29. Where does one go for an international quilt exhibition?
- Massachusetts
 - Houston, Texas
 - Belvoir, Virginia
 - Missouri
30. How many quilts were displayed at the first quilt festival?
- 200
 - 2,500
 - 5,000
 - 20,000

To date, Canada has produced only one classic children's tale to rank with *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* and the works of Mark Twain; this was Lucy Maud Montgomery's *Anne of Green Gables*. Lucy Maud Montgomery was born in Clinton, Prince Edward Island. Her mother died soon after her birth, and when her father went to Saskatchewan to assume a business position, she moved in with her grandparents in Cavendish, Prince Edward Island. There she went to school and later qualified to be a teacher.

Montgomery wrote the *Anne* books while living in Cavendish and helping her grandmother at the post office. The first of the books, *Anne of Green Gables*, was published in 1908, and in the next three years she wrote two sequels. Like Montgomery, the heroine of the book is taken in by an elderly couple who lives in the fictional town of Avonlea, and Montgomery incorporated many events from her life in Cavendish into the *Anne* books.

In 1911, Montgomery married Ewan MacDonald and the couple soon moved to Ontario, where she wrote many other books. However, it was her first efforts that secured her prominence, and the *Anne* books are still read all around the world. Her novels have helped create a warm picture of Prince Edward Island's special character. Several movies, a television series, and a musical play have been based on her tales, and today visitors scour the Island for locations described in the book.

31. The main purpose of this passage is to
- introduce Montgomery and her *Anne* books
 - contrast Canadian children's literature with that of other countries
 - provide a brief introduction to Prince Edward Island
 - compare Montgomery's life and that of her fictional character Anne

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32. According to the passage, Montgomery was raised primarily
- in an orphanage
 - by her grandparents
 - by her mother
 - by her father
33. Approximately when did Lucy Montgomery write the two sequels to her book *Anne of Green Gables*?
- from 1874 to 1908
 - from 1908 to 1911
 - from 1911 to 1913
 - from 1913 to 1918
34. Which of the following can be concluded from the passage about the *Anne* books?
- They were at least partially autobiographical.
 - They were influenced by the works of Mark Twain.
 - They were not as successful as Montgomery's later works.
 - They were not popular until after Montgomery had died.
35. The word "prominence" in the last paragraph is closest in meaning to
- excellence
 - permanence
 - effort
 - reputation

Writing: (30%)

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Face-to-face communication is better than other types of communication, such as letters, e-mail, or telephone calls. Use specific reasons in a paragraph of about 150 words to support your answer.