

English Examination for Transfer Students

Part one: Vocabulary (Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to the underlined word or phrase) 20%

1. There is no mystery to getting a long life from your car.  
A) secret B) spew C) scorch D) stump
2. I am going to see the boss and ask for a raise.  
A) a risky adventure B) salary increase C) creating a furor D) nurture
3. Mary would like to get involved with Mr. Right some day but just now she would remain footloose and fancy-free.  
A) feel financially indebted to B) appear physically resembling to C) grow intellectually from D) become emotionally committed to
4. We will never shrink back before difficulties.  
A) shrivel B) recoil C) rebound D) detour
5. The lure of gold caused them to explore that region.  
A) enticement B) entrapment C) entrepreneurial D) enactment
6. He does not know how to resist his impulse.  
A) courage B) urge C) scourge D) storage
7. The birds got entangled in the nets.  
A) entwined B) ensued C) enlisted D) enlivened
8. During the 1930's they experienced a severe economic depression.  
A) a drastic decline B) an overt incline C) a fancy shoeshine D) dear granite
9. The president had a clear mandate to end the war.  
A) maneuver B) endeavor C) authorization D) articulation
10. The proceeds of the sale are to be devoted to the Red Cross.  
A) craving B) undermining C) earnings D) earrings

Part two: Sentence structure (Choose the word(s) or phrase that best complete the sentence) 20%

11. Our club rules provide that dues \_\_\_\_\_ paid monthly.  
A) was B) do C) should have D) must be
12. Consumer spending on sports-related items \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 billion.  
A) amounted to B) caught up with C) be tantamount to D) is compared with
13. The decision had taken about ten seconds \_\_\_\_\_ he'd finished reading all the market research reports.  
A) prior to B) as far as C) once D) while

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14. The author writes about women in search of an identity, women who are, more often than not, conflicted and desperate to escape \_\_\_\_\_ transcend an oppressive past.  
A) before B) or C) after D) when
15. A master sleuth, Sherlock Holmes solved his cases \_\_\_\_\_ deduction and logical reasoning, which are still very much a part of modern detective work.  
A) have used B) use C) using D) to use
16. While he was washing his new car, Mr. Johnson \_\_\_\_\_ a small dent in the rear fender.  
A) has discovered B) was discovering C) is discovering D) discovered
17. The last time I \_\_\_\_\_ in Shanghai, the weather was hot and humid.  
A) had been B) was C) am D) will have been
18. I'm almost finished. I just need \_\_\_\_\_ five minutes.  
A) some B) other C) after D) another
19. The equator is the \_\_\_\_\_ line between the Northern and Southern hemispheres.  
A) cleft B) gaping C) open D) dividing
20. A: Which bus should I take to get to the train station?  
B: Bus number 29. It \_\_\_\_\_ right to the main station.  
A) must go B) might go C) goes D) should go

Part three: Reading comprehension (Read the following passage and choose the best answer to each question) 20%

I.

Before I went on my AIDS ride, I used to think that one person's contribution is not very important. But I was wrong. In 1998, I went on my first AIDS ride in California, from San Francisco to Los Angeles.

Even though I bike to and from work every day (20 miles round trip), I wasn't used to riding long distances. Also, I live in Chicago, where the land is flat so I wasn't used to riding in hills and mountains. I trained for about six months before the ride, riding at least 150 miles a week.

I used to own a ten-speed road bike, but I realized that I would need something better for the long, hilly ride. I bought a new 24-speed mountain bike. This new bicycle helped me a lot in the California trip. It was so satisfying to complete the ride. I raised almost \$5,000 for AIDS research. I felt so good about it that I started looking for more rides to do.

In 2001, I did the Alaska ride, which was especially difficult. It was much colder than expected. Some of the riders couldn't get used to the cold and had to

quit. But I'm proud to say that I finished it and went on to do four more AIDS rides.

20. What is the article about?

- A) The advantages of riding a bike    B) A personal account on AIDS rides  
C) The difference between a 10-speed bicycle and a 24-speed one.    D) AIDS is something to do with riding a bicycle.

21. What is the purpose of the author participating in AIDS rides?

- A) To try out the newly bought mountain bike.    B) To see different parts of the country.    C) To raise fund for AIDS research    D) To be different from others.

22. The first AIDS ride for the author was

- A) a piece of cake    B) satisfying to complete    C) a nightmare to begin with    D) a fiasco

23. The Alaska ride is especially difficult because it was

- A) the last one done.    B) extremely cold    C) in hilly and mountainous areas    D) nearly a disaster

24. By telling the story the author tries to encourage people

- A) to contribute whenever they can    B) to get a new bike    C) to get ready for the bad weather.    D) to get used to hills and mountains.

II.

The American woods have been unnerving people for 300 years. The inestimably priggish and tiresome Henry David Thoreau thought nature was splendid, splendid indeed, so long as he could stroll to town for cakes and barley wine, but when he experienced real wilderness, on a visit to Katahdin in 1846, he was unnerved to the core. This wasn't the tame world of overgrown orchards and sun-dappled paths that passed for wilderness in suburban Concord, Massachusetts, but a forbidding, oppressive, primeval country that was 'grim and wild ... savage and dreary', fit only for 'men nearer of kin to the rocks and wild animals than we'. The experience left him, in the words of one biographer, 'near hysterical'.

25. This paragraph is about

- A) how frightening the American woods are.    B) how specious Thoreau's description of the American woods is.    C) how wild and savage Americans are.    D) how forbidding and oppressive Concord, Massachusetts is.

26. According to the author Henry David Thoreau is

- A) splendid.    B) wild    C) prudish    D) fastidious

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27. From Thoreau's perspective, Katahdin is  
A) strewn with orchards and gardens. B) rather civilized. C) very primitive. D) fit for urban dandies.
28. Compared with Katahdin, Concord, Massachusetts is  
A) similar B) very primeval C) tame D) depressing
29. Thoreau thought Katahdin was for people who were  
A) rocks and animals B) hostile to rocks and animals C) keen on rocks and animals D) skeptical toward rocks and animals.

Part four: Translation 40%

A. 中翻英 (將下列句子翻譯成英文)

1. 過度使用能源不只製造污染
2. 也會引起溫室效應 (greenhouse effect) 及氣候異常
3. 大家應該節約能源保護綠地
4. 讓後世子孫有良好生活環境

B. 英翻中 (將下列句子翻譯成中文)

1. Nearly half of all workers everywhere have jobs they aren't happy with.
2. If you want to find a job, don't rush to look through the classified ads in the newspaper.
3. Instead, you should sit down and think what kind of person you are and what makes you happy.
4. If you do that, you're more likely to find the job that's right for you.