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Part One: Vocabulary and Structure (30%)

Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence. Give one answer only to each question.

1. The mechanic told me that my car couldn't be repaired until next month because the _____ parts for my car are currently out of stock.
(A) assistance (B) fiction (C) spare (D) income
2. This gymnasium can _____ an audience of 6,000. The capacity is amazing.
(A) budget (B) guarantee (C) accommodate (D) tour
3. You should stick to your goal once you have _____ something.
(A) turned around (B) took a look at (C) set your mind on (D) departed for
4. John's success can be largely _____ hard work.
(A) attributed to (B) reduced to (C) rid of (D) signed up for
5. Chien-ming Wang is _____ a chance back to the MLB after healing from surgery.
(A) striking out (B) striving for (C) praising to (D) succeeding to
6. George had _____ everyone of the benefit of voting for the lesser known candidate.
(A) robbed (B) convinced (C) imitated (D) blamed
7. Helen couldn't find anyone to play with her, so she _____ herself by playing the piano.
(A) imitated (B) amused (C) conveyed (D) blamed
8. The most obvious _____ of a giraffe is its long neck.
(A) stroke (B) evidence (C) trait (D) injury
9. This is a _____ job and no one could do it for more than five months.
(A) regularly (B) demanding (C) spotless (D) convincing
10. Judging from the weather report, everyone can _____ sunny days for a whole week.
(A) anticipate (B) response (C) tolerate (D) fix
11. In human history, whoever wanted to _____ the world ended up a mad man causing a chaos and numerous deaths.
(A) bury (B) treasure (C) undertake (D) conquer
12. My uncle owns a huge ranch on which he raises lots of _____ for a source of beef.
(A) crops (B) cattle (C) liquids (D) antennas

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13. Men in traditional jobs such as construction aren't _____ orders from women managers.
 (A) used take (B) use take (C) used to taking (D) used to take
14. Positive thinking has helped many people _____ in accidents to have full, happy life.
 (A) injured (B) injuring (C) injury (D) injuries
15. Thanks to my Spanish lessons, I was able to _____ OK when I went to Spain on vacation last year.
 (A) give in (B) go over (C) get by (D) grow up

Part Two: Reading Comprehension (30%)

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

Questions 16-20

It has been noted that, traditionally, courts have granted divorces on fault grounds: one spouse is deemed to be at fault in causing the divorce. More and more today, however, divorces are being granted on a no-fault basis.

Proponents of no-fault divorce argue that when a marriage fails, it is rarely the case that one marriage partner is completely to blame and the other blameless. A failed marriage is much more often the result of mistakes by both partners.

Another argument in favor of no-fault divorce is that proving fault in court, in a public arena, is destructive process that only serves to lengthen the divorce process and that dramatically increase the negative feelings present in a divorce. If a couple can reach a decision to divorce without first deciding which partner is to blame, the divorce settlement can be negotiated more easily and equitably and the most divorce healing process can begin more rapidly.

16. The primary purpose of this passage is to _____.
 (A) decide who should grant a divorce
 (B) decide who is at fault in a divorce
 (C) tell why people are divorced
 (D) tell why no-fault divorce are becoming more common
17. Which of the following is NOT listed as an argument for a non-fault divorce?
 (A) Rarely is only one spouse to blame for a divorce
 (B) Finding fault in a divorce only fuels an ill feeling
 (C) A no-fault divorce costs less than a fault divorce
 (D) A no-fault divorce settlement is easier to negotiate.
18. This passage suggests that _____.
 (A) there recently has been an increase in divorce
 (B) people recover more rapidly from a no-fault divorce
 (C) it is no longer necessary to prove fault in court in order to obtain a divorce

(D) the application for a divorce should not be processed in court

19. The divorce process may become nasty if _____.

- (A) it takes a long time
- (B) a judge cannot decide who should be responsible for the divorce
- (C) there is no cooling-off period
- (D) a divorce is settled out of court

20. The tone of this passage is _____.

- (A) emotional
- (B) ironic
- (C) objective
- (D) humorous

Questions 21-25

When the president of the United States wants to get away from the hectic pace in Washington, D.C., Camp David is the place to go. Camp David, in a wooded mountain area about 70 miles from Washington, D.C. is where the president goes to find solitude. It consists of living space for the president, the first family, and the president staff as well as sporting and recreational facilities.

Camp David was established by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1942. He found the site particularly appealing in that its mountain air provided relief from the summer heat of Washington and its remote location offered a more relaxing environment than could be achieved in the capital city.

When Roosevelt first established the retreat, he called it Shangri-La, which evoked the blissful mountain kingdom in James Hilton's novel *Lost Horizon*. Later, President Dwight David Eisenhower renamed the location Camp David after his grandson David Eisenhower.

Camp David has been used for a number of significant meetings. In 1943 during World War II, President Roosevelt met there with Great Britain's Prime Minister Winston Churchill. In 1959 at the height of the Cold War, President Eisenhower met there with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev; in 1978 President Jimmy Carter sponsored peace talks between Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egypt's President Anwar el-Sadat at the retreat at Camp David

21. The purpose of this passage is to _____.

- (A) stress the importance of Camp David
- (B) talk about the development of Camp David
- (C) describe the surroundings of Camp David
- (D) give the reason why Camp David was renamed Shangri-La

22. Camp David was once called Shangri-La because _____.

- (A) it is the place where James Hilton wrote his well-known novel "Lost Horizon"
- (B) it is the place where President Roosevelt's grandson was born

- (C) it is isolated and pleasing
- (D) it is hectic and splendid

23. This passage implies that Camp David is important because _____.

- (A) it is the place where American presidents go to find solitude
- (B) it was founded by President Roosevelt
- (C) a number of American presidents were born there
- (D) several significant talks were held there

24. Which of the following is NOT discussed about Camp David?

- (A) its architect
- (B) its location
- (C) its uses
- (D) its facilities

25. Anwar el-Sadat was at Camp David in _____.

- (A) 1959
- (B) 1942
- (C) 1978
- (D) 1943

Question 26-30

It is widely believed that some herbs have healing properties. For example, when people catch a cold, they are often advised to drink ginger soup. Of course, they will take it. For one thing, the soup may have a pleasant flavor; it tastes good. For another, it may really cure their illness and they can begin to work.

But usually once they fall ill, they will go to see a doctor, who will do a medical checkup on them to diagnose their illness. After that, he will write a prescription to be filled at a drugstore. Instead of ginger soup, the remedy for a cold is aspirin.

Why don't people consult an herbalist and take his advice instead? One reason is that only a few herbalists have made a thorough analysis of herbal medicine. Most of the time, some herbalists don't know what makes up the herbal medicine they are prescribing. It is not uncommon that some people, especially young children, may suffer great pain because the herbal medicine they take contains poisonous substances like lead. Furthermore, the qualifications of some herbalists are sometimes called into question. Some of them have never received enough formal medical education. At best, they have just passed a test, which is given to make sure that they know the names of certain herbal drugs and their composition; at worst, they are no more than quacks. Finally, few large-scale experiments with herbal drugs are conducted.

Yet some people still ask herbalists for advice. They do so when doctors declare that no chemical medicine can treat a certain disease. Under the circumstances, people may gamble with their own lives, acting as human guinea pigs for herbalists.

26. According to the passage, people may go to see an herbalist when their illness is _____.
- (A) unknown
 - (B) incurable
 - (C) infectious
 - (D) serious
27. According to the passage, people may take herbs like ginger for several reasons. Which of the following is NOT one of them?
- (A) The herbs are cheap and easy to come by.
 - (B) Their illness may not be serious enough.
 - (C) The herbs may taste good.
 - (D) The herbs may really help them recover.
28. In this passage, three reasons are given to explain why people won't go to see an herbalist. Which of the following is NOT one of them?
- (A) Qualification tests are not credible.
 - (B) Herbalists are poorly educated.
 - (C) Experiments are not widely conducted.
 - (D) The components of herbal medicine are poisonous.
29. By saying "people may gamble with their own lives," the author suggests that it is _____ to ask an herbalist for advice.
- (A) sensible
 - (B) inevitable
 - (C) risky
 - (D) expensive
30. The word "quacks" in Paragraph 3 may mean "_____".
- (A) experts
 - (B) amateurs
 - (C) liars
 - (D) beginners

Part Three: Writing (40%)

What does success mean to you? Please define and explain in a 150-200 word essay.